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DEMANDS BY NAVAL DOCKYARD WORKERS

Increased allowances, other benefits wanted

DAIRY FARM DEADLOCK

The latest development in the labour situation yesterday was the presentation of a demand from the Royal Naval Dockyard workers for increased allowances and benefits.

The demand was conveyed in a letter to the Commodore Superintendent of the Royal Naval Dockyard asking, among other things, for extra allowances to meet present increased cost of living.

Miniature Berlin blockade

Berlin, January 25.
A mile of German road barriers, closed this afternoon on the East side of the Anglo-Soviet zone border, delayed the "go slow" tactics of Soviet officials.

Another 120 on the Western side waited then turn for the newly imposed check-up at the Helmsdorf control point.

At the 100-foot-long crossing, traffic had dropped to about 10 per cent of the usual rate.

Altogether 200 cars had passed in both directions there in 24 hours, compared with 200 to 250 normally.

The Soviet licensed "Berliner Zeitung" in the Berlin paper to comment on the "go slow" tactic that they were practicing. "The German Democratic Republic and Berlin from being plundered by the West."

The paper added that complaints were "simply aimed at creating tension and disorder."

Under Press adds that a United States military convoy passed through the Soviet checkpoint at Helmsdorf without incident today.

The Russian made no move to interfere with the 120 cars, very guarded by seven military policemen on motor cycles as it rolled into Soviet territory. However, 200 German trucks waiting to pass through the Soviet checkpoint remained stranded on the Western side of the zone border by the six-day old Soviet slowdown.

The army, carrying supplies to the American garrison in Berlin, was the first to challenge the miniature blockade. It spent the night in the British zone about 10 miles from the frontier and pulled into the American checkpoint on the 100-foot barrier before a 5 a.m.—Reuters and United Press.

RITA, BABY OFF FOR CHALET

Lausanne, Switzerland.

Rita Hayworth and her baby, Princess Yasmin, left the chalet clinic today for Prince Ali Khan's chalet at Gstaad. It was Yasmin's first venture into the outside world since she was born 28 days ago and she slept throughout the experience unaware that she was dodging newspapermen and photographers. United Press.

The Weather

At 0000 GMT (5 p.m. HKST) a trough of low pressure runs parallel to the coast of Japan to a small depression 500 miles SW of Kyushu and thence to Taiwan and China. Pressure is high over Central China, with a ridge extending Eastwards across the Yellow Sea and Korea.
Today's Forecast—Light or moderate ESE winds, partly cloudy in the afternoon.
Yesterday's Weather—Maximum 74.8 deg. Fah. Minimum 61.8 deg. Fah. Sunshine 4 1/2 hours.
Rainfall Nil. Total since Jan. 1—35.0 mm (1.38 in.) as against an average of 30.7 mm (1.21 in.).
Readings at 0000 GMT—1015.0 mb. Bar. at m.s.l.—1015.0 mb. Equal to 30.09 in. Bar. at m.s.l.—58.7 deg. Rel. Humidity 71. 71. 71. Wind Direction 101. 101. 101. Wind Force 1. 1. 1.

Danish Queen visits her Swedish family



Queen Ingrid of Denmark visited her family in Stockholm, Sweden, recently. Her daughters, Anne-Marie and Benedikte, greatly enjoyed the visit to their Grandfather, Crown Prince Gustaf of Sweden, who reads fairy stories to them. Queen Ingrid looks on. (A. P. Photo).

India proclaimed a Republic

New Delhi, January 26.

India's last Governor-General, Chakravarti Rajagopalachari, breaking a 92-year-old link with the British Crown, today proclaimed his country a republic.

At a simple, solemn ceremony in Durbar Hall, Government House, here, 65-year-old Dr. Rajendra Prasad was sworn in as the Republic's first president.

A mighty cheer rose from the throats of the tens of thousands of people watching as the presidential flag went slowly to the masthead above Government House.
The cheer was echoed throughout the city as guns boomed and sirens shrieked a salute to the new state, whose official name will be Bharat. India's 320,000,000 people were seeing their new constitution come into force, exactly 20 years after declaring their resolve, under Mahatma Gandhi's inspiration, to attain independence.

The Chief Justice, Sir Karilal Kar, administered the oath of office to the new president in the presence of foreign diplomats in full dress, splendidly robed Indians in their formal Congress uniforms.

Dr. Prasad took the oath in Hindi. In a brief address both in Hindi and English, he said India's administration would now be carried on by its people and for its people. "This country has great natural resources and now there has come to it a great opportunity to make the vast population happy and prosperous, and to make its own contribution to the establishment of peace in the world," he declared.

Terms of friendship

"We want to live on terms of friendship with all other countries," he continued. "Our object is to achieve all-round progress in our own country. Our programme is to get rid of disease, poverty and ignorance."

The President, who was one of Mahatma Gandhi's closest associates, had paid a 15-minute homagage to the "Father of the Nation" at the Rajghat, cremation place before he assumed office.

The 300 guests at the ceremony in Durbar Hall included Dr. Acharya (Sankar), President of India and Madame Sankar. They sat immediately to the right of the President in red and gold chairs, which were flanked on both sides by the Indian Cabinet, headed by the Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru.

In Colombo, Ceylon, tributes to India on its becoming a republic were paid at a plenary session today of the Asian regional conference of the International Labour Organisation.

Sir G. D. Myrdal, Secretary-General of the ILO, speaking on behalf of the conference, said that as India was one of the founder members of the ILO it was fitting that the ILO should greet India on this day and occasion.

"I am certain that as India moves forward today to fulfill her mission in the world," he said, "she will be guided by the warmest wishes of the Government and people of the United Kingdom without exception and without reserve."

"The association of India with the United Kingdom has been long and not always happy. Memories of the past might have embittered hopes for the future. But in a situation of great delicacy the genius and goodwill of statesmen from all parts of the Commonwealth of which, to our pride, India is her own free, equal and a member, fashioned a new form of association which not only gives satisfaction to the national aspirations of India but enables her and other members of the Commonwealth to work together even more closely than before in pursuit of the common aims of peace, freedom, prosperity, happiness and social progress."

In Cairo, Egyptians celebrated India's proclamation as a republic with a flag hoisting ceremony at the Indian Embassy. A crowd of several hundreds in their colorful national costumes stood silent in the Embassy grounds overlooking the Nile and watched their flag rise.

The former Egyptian Premier, Hussein Sirry Pasha, attended the ceremony on behalf of King Farouk, together with the Egyptian Foreign Minister, Mohammed Salama El Din Boy, the British Ambassador, Sir Ronald Campbell, other diplomats and the Secretary-General of the Arab League, Azam Pasha.

The Egyptian Foreign Minister, in a message to the Indian Ambassador, sent "brotherly wishes and congratulations to our great friend on the birth of a republic."

WESTERLING'S TROOPS IN JAKARTA BATTLE

Jakarta, January 26.
Renegade Dutch Captain Paul Westerling's irregulars fought a two-hour street battle today with the Indonesian Republican army in the heart of Jakarta before withdrawing under withering machine gun fire.

First reports said at least seven rebels were killed and "many" wounded in the bitter raid led by deserters of the Dutch colonial army.

The surprise attack was apparently aimed at seizing government buildings, but after being beaten back in the early stages of the fight the reinforced Republican guards swarmed all over the rebels.

Eye witnesses said the attackers wore red caps, which are traditional colours of a Dutch paratroop unit here. Several were disarmed and taken into custody by the Indonesians, witnesses said.

The fight was confined to the area around Ploer Baru, side of government military headquarters buildings. When it ended Republican soldiers began placing barbed wire and sandbag barricades around the Defence Ministry and other government buildings. Republican officers made a house search for rebels who might be hiding out in the city.

The Minister of Defence, Sultan of Jogjakarta, announced the reorganization of the Netherlands Indies army into an army of the United States of Indonesia, effective from today. He said the amalgamation would be completed in six months and he expected all Republican soldiers including those who fought with Captain Westerling in Monday's attack on Bandung in West Java to join the new army.

"The recent events in Bandung have not changed the government's standpoint," the Sultan said. "Indonesian members of the Netherlands Indies army will still be received with open arms if they are prepared to contribute loyally their energies and abilities to the United States of Indonesia forces."

Contact established

A government communiqué said Republican units established contact with Captain Westerling's forces at Tjandjur, West of Bandung along the Jakarta-Bandung railway. The situation in Bandung itself was quiet.

In a new Westerling unit, Dutch sources said, the rebels engaged Republican troops in a fierce skirmish at Tjandjur and retired only after suffering losses. Neutral observers believed this may have been the action referred to in the communiqué.

Dutch sources said the raid was made on Tuesday night by an irregular band led by J. S. van der Meulen, a former police inspector. They said the irregulars entered the town on four trucks and were well armed with heavy machine guns. But after a heavy exchange of fire their vehicles were put out of action and Westerling's men retreated on foot Northward into the hills.

Van der Meulen, these Dutch sources said, apparently intended to drive into Tjandjur to pick up a group of elite guards who were to desert and join Westerling's forces that same night.

In Jakarta, the government clamped down an even tighter curfew—from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. cinema houses put out notices saying they would show no films tonight. Restaurants and hotels urged guests to dine earlier than usual tonight.

Only four streets from the scene of today's Jakarta fighting, the Indonesian Premier, D. Mohamad Hatta, and four other Cabinet members addressed a large Indonesian audience celebrating the birth of the Indonesian Republic at the opera house.

Premier Hatta thanked Indians for helping Indonesia in its own struggle for independence and wished the government and people of India prosperity—United Press.

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Large-scale fighting in W. Java seen

(By ARNOLD BRACKMAN)

Somewhere in West Java, January 26.
Captain Paul Westerling, renegade Dutch leader, predicted today in an exclusive interview that large-scale fighting would break out soon in West Java.

Westerling, whose supporters have disturbed the short-lived peace since the establishment of the United States of Indonesia, met this correspondent "somewhere in West Java" to tell his version of the violence.

"Large-scale fighting will break out soon in West Java," he said. "I don't think it will last long—about three months. I know I am going to win. I am not trying to set myself up as a warrior. I am not trying to form my own government."

"I am only trying to help the people. I am trying to remove the Japanese influence from the TNI (Republican army). I have tried everything I could to avoid clashes but it is not possible to avoid them because the Republican army is still operating under the Japanese mentality. The Republican army terrorists the people."

Westerling was dressed in civilian clothes. He wore brown street shoes, brown socks, a white polo shirt and khaki pants. He was not armed while receiving me for the interview. He is a barrel-chested man with black hair and blue-black eyes and a dark complexion. He wore a gold wrist watch and a gold ring with a black onyx stone on his left hand.

Westerling, of Dutch and Turkish parents, spoke fluent English with only a slight trace of accent. He expressed a desire to return to Turkey when "everything is okay over here."

When Westerling was asked about the background of the recent out-breaks of fighting, he replied "Four days after the transfer for sovereignty on December 17, 1949, I returned to the United States of Indonesia. I held conversations with Republican army officers. We agreed to work together to maintain law and order in West Java."

"I kept my word. I tried to work with the Republican army. They did not reciprocate. They tried to create trouble by arresting people. Day after day the situation got worse until I sent a note of warning to them to recognize my forces."

"It was not an ultimatum but a warning. I gave the date of January 12 and later extended it by the request of the United Nations military observers in February 12. I said I did not want to be responsible for what happened after that date."

A Warning

"I have tried everything I could to avoid clashes. But large-scale fighting will now break out."

break out. Bandeng is not exactly a demonstration but a warning to show Republican army where things stand."

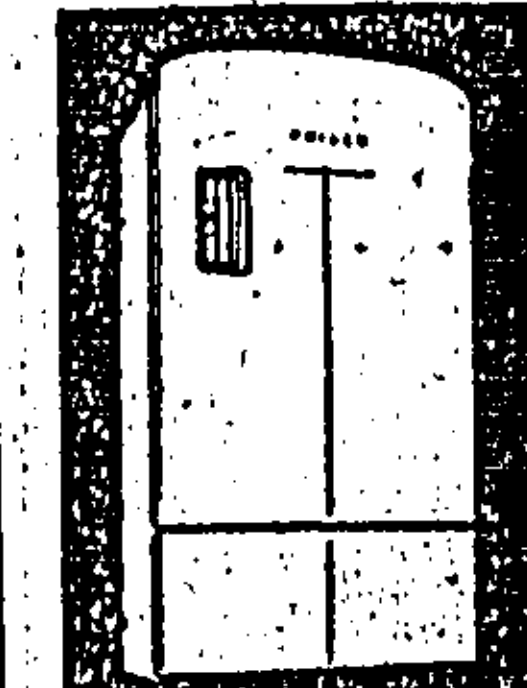
Westerling insisted his only ultimate goal was to purge the Republican army of its "Japanese influence" and help to create a stable army for the United States of Indonesia. He said "Eighty per cent of the people do not want a Republican army. They want a United States of Indonesia army but are afraid to tell the truth because they are terrorized." (The Republican army until Thursday was one of the fighting forces in Indonesia before the creation of the U.S.I. As of Thursday the Republican army and the Royal Dutch Netherlands Indies army were formally amalgamated into a U.S.I. army.)

Good influences

Westerling insisted on "There are good influences in the Republican army and I am sure that my men, together with these Republicans, can clean out the bad elements. If the Republican army is willing to work on a U.S.I. basis—rather than the Jogjakarta Republican basis—I am willing to help them."

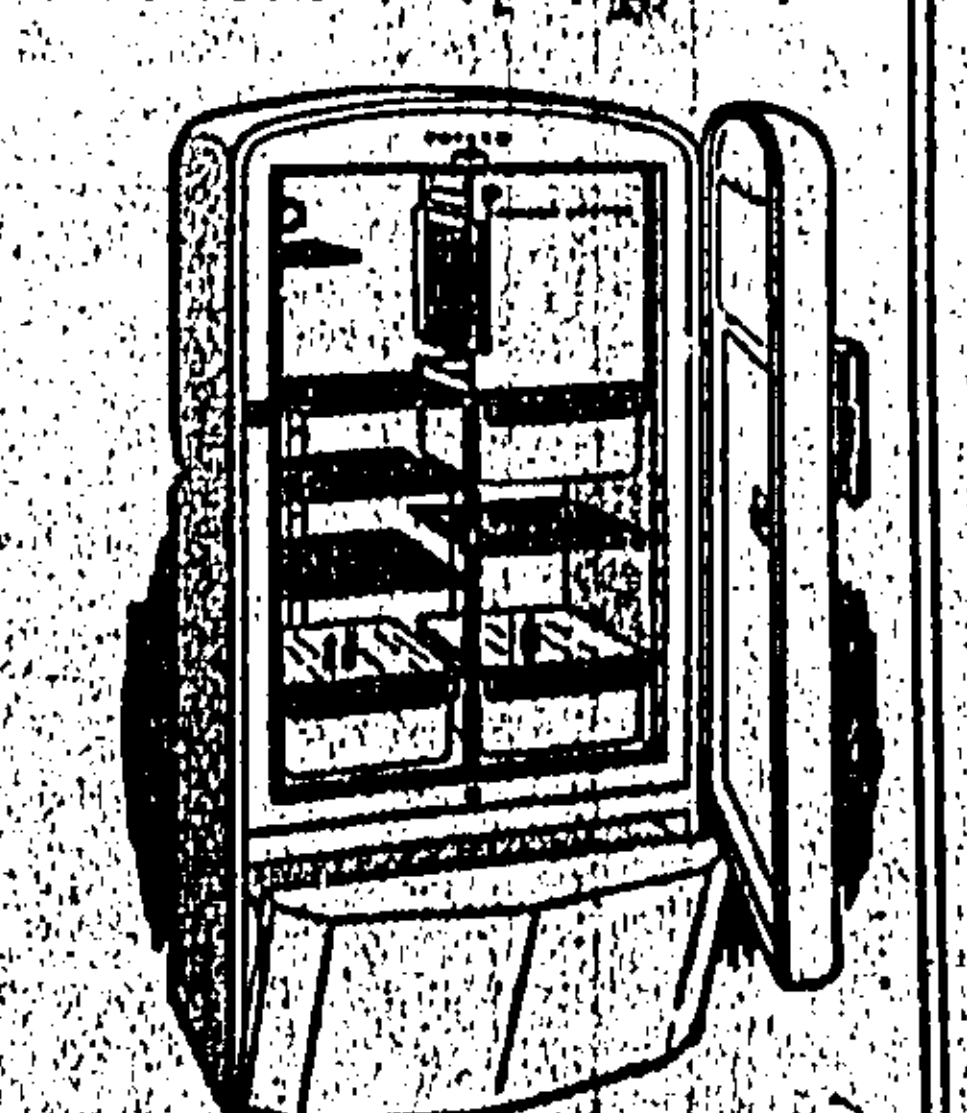
"Do you think your actions have endangered the Dutch community and interests in Indonesia?" He snapped back quickly. "Sure—if I lose. But I am sure I won't lose. I have popular backing. I am willing to negotiate at any time providing the negotiations are carried out in a reasonable way. I do not represent the Dutch people but I do represent Indonesians. That is where the Republicans make their mistake in accusing me of representing Dutch interests. I have never fought against the interests of the Indonesian people and I will not stand idly by watching a small clique dominate a free Indonesia."

Westerling denied he was plotting with the extremist Islamic Darul group to form an Islamic State in West Java. He said "I would not support the formation of an Islamic State against the United States of Indonesia. That is not my purpose. There is no direct link between my men and the Darul group. But there are some Darul battalions who understand my goal and that is why a few Darul battalions are under my command today."—United Press.



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Mr. P. Vaswani, President of the India Association, Hong Kong, presides at a ceremony at the Roof Garden to mark India's Republic Day. On left is the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham. ("China Mail" Photo).

LOCAL INDIANS MARK REPUBLIC DAY

Personalia

Departures from the Peninsula Hotel on Wednesday included Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Chapman, Mr. E. M. Taylor, Messrs. M. Davidson, T. V. Van Nuy, R. J. Morgan, F. Matilla and Miss D. Teodoro.

Among the most arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel on Wednesday were Mr. and Mrs. W. E. W. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Stokes, Major N. Kook, Mr. and Mrs. T. I. Dusen and Mr. O. H. Jan.

Taxi driver discharged at Central

A taxi driver was discharged by Mr. A. D. Scholes at Central yesterday on three charges under the Traffic Regulation, as the prosecution failed to prove that defendant was driving the car at the time of the accident.

The driver, Chung Ping, aged 40, was charged with driving, driving, failing to stop after an accident and with having a car in an unfit state.

Defendant pleaded not guilty to the charges through Mr. Peter de la Cour, his defence lawyer. In January, H. B. Deane said that a taxi driver was charged with driving, failing to stop after an accident and with having a car in an unfit state.

Two hours later the police located the car but at that time another driver was driving it. The owner of the car was eventually located. The driver then made a report to the police. The car was tested the next morning and found to be unfit for use.

Mr. Scholes asked Inspector Dewar if he could prove that it was defendant who was driving the car at the time of the accident.

Inspector Dewar told the magistrate that he had two material witnesses but for some reason or other they failed to appear in court.

Mr. Scholes discharged defendant.

St. John Orders

Orders by Mr. A. J. Ansell, Commissioner, St. John Ambulance Brigade, Hong Kong District, Order No. 470, dated January 27, 1950.

St. John Ambulance Brigade
1 to February 4, 5th New Division
February 5 to February 11, Wanchai "A" Division
Ambulance Duties: January 30 to February 6, Shamshuipo Division; February 6 to February 12, Kowloon Division
Rugby Match Duties: Jan. 28, Soekun-boo 3 p.m., Central Division; Jan. 28 (Rugby ground), Kowloon Division 4.15 p.m.; Football Match Duties: Jan. 29, Soekun-boo 3.30 p.m., Kowloon Division; Jan. 29, 3.30 p.m., South China Division
Boundary Street 2.30 p.m., Kowloon Division
Jan. 30, Caroline Hill 2.30 p.m.; South China Division; HKTC Ground 2.30 p.m., Eastern Division; Boundary Street 2.30 p.m., Kowloon Division
Parade Nursing Division: Tuesday, January 31, Shamshuipo Nursing Division; Kowloon Hospital 7.30 p.m.; Thursday, February 2, KYMCA Nursing Division; Kowloon Hospital 7.30 p.m.; HKTC, 1 Corps. A course of lectures in First Aid will commence on Thursday, March 2, at Brigade Headquarters at 7.30 p.m.; Lecturer Dr. L. S. Bui, O.B.E., J.R.C. No. 2 Corps. A course of lectures in First Aid will commence on Wednesday, March 2, at 7.30 p.m., at Brigade HQ, Lecturer Dr. J. L. Kwai, Thursday, March 3, Kowloon Hospital, First Aid lectures for Shamshuipo, KYMCA and Western Nursing Division and KYMCA Ambulance Division; Lecturer Dr. L. S. Bui, O.B.E., J.R.C. No. 2 Corps. Annual Returns All Divisional Superintendents are reminded that their Annual Returns must be completed and forwarded to the Secretary Brigade Headquarters as soon as possible.
Bicycle Riders: Tan Wan Division will report to the Brigade Headquarters before Wednesday, February 1, at 5.30 p.m. to draw water bottles and maps for the Division.
(Sgd.) H. A. ROWLAND, R.I.B.S., Corps Sup.

Indian Republic Day was celebrated in Hong Kong with a cocktail party at the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel yesterday evening, at which members of Indian community and a large number of guests were present. The function was held under the auspices of the India Association of Hong Kong, whose President, Mr. P. Vaswani, addressed the gathering on the significance of the occasion.

India, he said, after two and a half years of independence, had made her voice heard in the councils of nations. Her independence today into a republic did not mean seceding from the Commonwealth but just made her a free nation working with other members of the Commonwealth in the interest of world peace.

Mr. Vaswani also referred to the new Chinese regime and India was the first among the Commonwealth nations to accord it recognition. He said India would make all possible contribution to the Chinese people in their effort to work out a democratic system of Government.

After the local toast was presented by the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, proposed the toast of the President of India.

Sir Alexander stressed that the flag which flew over the residence of the President at Delhi bore the symbols of peace—but peace through non-violence. There was no sign of the dagger, the sword or the mallet first in the flag.

These symbols—symbols of a great country and a great people—are verily nailed to the mast of their President's flag, said Sir Alexander.

These ideals are not going to be easy of fulfilment, but nevertheless they are a challenge to the millions of Indians living in their homeland and abroad. Either they live up to these ideals, and thus do honour to themselves and to their country, or else they betray their country. All Indian shops were shut today in observance of the event and Indian firms also gave employees a day off.

RECORDED MUSIC CONCERT

A concert of recorded music will be given by the Kowloon Gramophone Society at the Diocesan Boys' School at 8.15 p.m. tomorrow.

Members of the Forces and civilians are welcome and can reach the school from Prince Edward Road by the steps just past the railway bridge or from Argyle Street by the drive between Kadoorie Avenue and the railway line.

The programme will include Kabalevsky's Overture, "Cossack March," Dvorak's Symphony No. 9, Schubert's "Unfinished Symphony," The Faithful Shepherd Suite by Handel and Mozart's Piano Concerto in C Major.

PWD approves 4,750 plans for building

A total of 4,750 plans were approved in respect to 8,693 buildings during 1948-49, according to the annual report of the Public Works Department.

The number of buildings constructed in the year under review by private enterprise showed a considerable increase over the previous year's figures. As a result many new houses and flats, Chinese and European types, were available to the general public.

The plans included 252 for 631 European houses, 369 for 931 Chinese-type houses, 33 for 41 godowns and stores, 29 for 23 workshops and factories, 16 for 16 office buildings, four for four Churches and temples, three for three theatres, and 77 for 103 temporary buildings.

Other plans approved included two broadsheet relay stations, three hotels, six schools, one gymnasium, and 5,585 alterations and additions to buildings.

Occupation certificates were issued in respect to 311 European-type houses, 614 Chinese-type houses and 130 non-domestic type premises.

The Chartered Institute of Secretaries examination will be held in Hong Kong in May. Candidates who wish to sit for the examination have to enter through the Education Department, Hong Kong.

The closing date for entry is February 4.

The sentence is to begin on 7, the date of defendant's arrest.

Defendant was alleged to have obtained US\$2,000 from the Pak Pook Money Changers Shop, 1 Peking Road, on November 25 by issuing a cheque for HK\$2,000 to the shop.

Mr. A. J. Cullen, instructed by Mr. Peter Mo, represented defendant, while Deputy Sgts. 598 and 599, who were charged with the matter with the utmost recklessness to say the least. He knew when he gave this cheque to the shop that it was a blank cheque and he had no funds in the bank. He had no intention of returning to Hong Kong to pay the cheque. He had no intention of returning to Hong Kong to pay the cheque. He had no intention of returning to Hong Kong to pay the cheque.

Correspondence

The Editor takes no responsibility for views expressed in letters by correspondents, and by no means necessarily agrees with them.

Wah Yan Dramatic Society

Sir—Although it appears rather tardy, may we, through the courtesy of your esteemed paper, congratulate the Wah Yan Dramatic Society for its excellent presentation, "A Lizard in a Dragon's Skin" at the Wah Yan College Theatre, about two weeks ago. Such Chinese operas in English usually attract big audiences and are worthy of profound admiration.

Instead of one or two productions per year, we eagerly hope that more may be given at shorter intervals. Many admirers would greatly welcome the return of the presentation "The Lady Warrior," with the same players as last time, in November, 1949. May this be treated as a request!

A GROUP OF ADMIRERS.

Pirate trio sentenced to eight years

Three pirates, convicted of intercepting and robbing a junk carrying rice between Chinese districts and Cuddie Peak, were each given eight years at the Criminal Sessions yesterday.

Referring to a mitigation plea from one of the accused, Wong King, that he was falsely accused by the police, Mr. Justice Gould, P. M. Judge, declared: "The jury did not believe that, and neither do I."

Wong, together with Ho Wai and Chan Ngan, were found guilty by a jury of six men and a woman of common law piracy and possession of arms after a 40-minute deliberation.

Mr. J. Reynolds, Crown Counsel, prosecuted assisted by Detective Inspector Summers. All accused conducted their own defence.

The junk was boarded on November 10 in Chinese waters by five men, four of whom were armed. When the junk reached British waters, the pirates made off in their own sampans with two sacks of rice and \$5 from one of their victims.

The accused were arrested later the same day in the New Territories, after the police had been informed.

The prisoners yesterday denied the allegations, claiming they had been assaulted by the police and forced to make certain statements.

Mr. Gould, in passing sentence, told the men they had quite rightly been convicted of the offences. The P. M. Judge said he would not impose corporal punishment, in view of the fact that the third accused had been certified as not fit for it.

CONSTABLE IN BUS ACCIDENT

An Indian Constable was slightly injured while trying to board a moving bus shortly after 1 p.m. yesterday.

According to the Police, the constable tried to board a No. 3 bus while it was opposite the General Electric Company, he fell to the ground and was taken to the Queen Mary Hospital. After medical treatment he was allowed to go home.

When studying the origin of Macao, where the Portuguese had their station or rather their factory as the term went in those days, was not at all suitable. The surrounding waters were rough and the island was almost isolated during the typhoon season.

The auspices of Sir Robert Hart, confirmed to Portugal the perpetual occupation and government of Macao and its dependencies, but with the proviso that Portugal was to dispose of Macao without agreement with China.



Miss Cecilia Dunne became the bride of Mr. Thomas C. Chien at St. Andrew's Church yesterday. The marriage ceremony was performed by the Reverend John H. Ogilvie, Vicar of St. Andrew's Church. Following the ceremony, a reception was given in the church hall. The bride was formerly on the editorial staff of the "China Mail." She was educated at the Diocesan Girls' School and also studied at St. John's University, Shanghai. ("China Mail" Photo).

Portuguese Institute hears talk on Macao

Macao was founded in 1557 as a colony of Portugal with the happy acquiescence of the Chinese if not with their active co-operation; the Reverend Brother Cassian, general secretary of the Hong Kong Teachers' Association, told the Portuguese Institute yesterday.

Brother Cassian made this remark in the course of a lecture on Macao, the Christian Base in the Far East. How did the "City of the Name of God" as Macao is known locally, acquire its motto "None more loyal"? It was in remembrance of two events, Brother Cassian said.

(1) When the Portuguese Empire passed under Spanish domination in 1581 and remained so until 1640, Macao alone did not haul down the Portuguese National Flag; this is properly the origin of the motto.

(2) Again at a time when competition had set in among the Colonial Powers, the Portuguese possessions were being battered by the Dutch, Macao remained unconquered, and this day the monument erected to commemorate the city's victory over the Dutch, in 1622, can be seen near the Gula Lighthouse, he said.

Discovery of Macao
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Wild-game hunter off for America

"Bring 'em Back Alive" Noel Roosevelt left the Colony for San Francisco last night by the S. President Tyler with his strange cargo of rare denizens collected from Siam and East Indies jungles.

It will be the last time the American wild-game hunter is playing nursemaid to 1,000 creatures—at least for the time being. After delivery of the animals, Mr. Roosevelt will spend the following year making arrangements for the forthcoming "Bangkok Fair" to be opened on December 4 this year at Bangkok.

"Then, perhaps, I may return to the jungles again," he declared before his departure last night.

In addition to his collection which includes several strange creatures—"komodo dragon," "cut-up" and a "blonde baby gibbon"—Mr. Roosevelt has obtained several species of Chinese "cats" and "foxes."

He has also received a special commendation from American naturalists.

The study of Chinese history has been mostly the "political record of the rise and fall of dynasties."

In recent years, as in Europe, more emphasis has been laid on the economic and social changes both by Chinese scholars and foreign sinologists.

Dr. Edwards' lecture will be illustrated by slides, maps, projection of scenes from life in the Ming period.

The lecture, under the auspices of the Sino-British History Group, is open to the public. It starts at 7.30 p.m.

LECTURE ON TANG PERIOD

Professor E. Edwards, of the University of London, will give an illustrated lecture tonight at the Club Laisane on the subject in which he is an acknowledged expert.

Dr. Edwards, who is the author of an extensive work on the subject, will lecture on social history of the Tang period.

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URBAN COUNCIL
NOTICE
CHINESE NEW YEAR
FAIR

1. It is hereby notified for
information that spaces for the
Chinese New Year Fair (7th
February to 18th February,
1950, inclusive) will be al-
located in the following areas:—

HONG KONG

Gloucester Road:—between
Fenwick Street & Fleming
Road.

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Gloucester Road & Lockhart
Road.

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Gloucester Road & Lockhart
Road.

KOWLOON

Sai Young Choi Street.—
between Soy Street & Nel-
son Street.

Tung Choi Street.—be-
tween Soy Street & Nelson
Street.

Soy Street.—between
Nathan Road & Tung Choi
Street.

2. These areas will be
marked out in stall spaces of
10' x 10' and the fee for each
space will be \$25 for the period
of the Fair.

3. Applications for stall
spaces should be made in per-
son to the Hawker Licensing
Office, Leighton Hill Road,
Hong Kong, on or after 6th
February, 1950. Each ap-
plicant should furnish two
copies of a passport-size photo-
graph.

4. No unlicensed stalls will
be allowed.

5. Stall spaces will be let
for the sale of the following
commodities only:—

- (1) Fresh Flowers, Rock-
plants and Gold-fish;
- (2) Artificial Flowers and
Paper Decorations;
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Preserved) & Nuts;
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Lap Cheung);
- (5) Chinese Confectionery;
- (6) Ice-cream (by approved
companies only);
- (7) Curies & Crockery;
- (8) Toys;
- (9) Pictures & Calendars;
- (10) Chinese Stationery;
- (11) Haberdashery;
- (12) Sandalwood.

6. When applying for stall
licences applicants must state
which of the above com-
modities they desire to sell.

7. No persons will be al-
lowed to display their wares in
places other than the author-
ised stall spaces mentioned in
paragraph 1 above.

N. B. M. WHITLEY,
Secretary,
Urban Council.

January 25, 1950.

EDUCATION
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to time in the Government
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T. R. ROWELL,
Director of Education.

January 23, 1950.

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Education director
receives scroll

Representatives of the Aberdeen kaifong presented
the Director of Education, Mr. T.R. Rowell,
CBE, with a scroll yesterday.

The presentation was made as a token of their
appreciation of the work the Director has
done in assisting the development of education
at Aberdeen.

The presentation was made
at Telephone House, Leighton
Hill Road.

Mr. Rowell thanked the re-
presentatives for the gift. He said
it was gratifying and en-
couraging to him. He said that
progress is certain to be made
where the leaders of a com-
munity take such deep interest in
local educational matters as the
Aberdeen kaifong have taken.

He added: "You are also sup-
porting and helping in a drive
to gain sufficient funds to erect
a new primary school in Aber-
deen. I will do my best to obtain
Government assistance on a dol-
lar for dollar basis."

"It is such co-operation be-
tween local communities and
Government which brings out
the best in education and ensures
that the people of the community
continue to interest themselves in
the work even after their school
has been built."

"This is evident at Un Lok
where the kaifong and Govern-
ment contributed equally to the
building of a very fine school.
Again, several villages in Lam
Chuen Valley have also con-
tributed in a similar way to the
erection of a new school and
spurred on by these and your
efforts I hope that such schemes
will become more frequent."

"It is 50 years ago since Gov-
ernment first established a school
in Aberdeen but for some reason
it did not continue for any length
of time."

Present plans

"But now I am happy to
tell you that Government in-
tends to restore such a school

to Aberdeen and present plans
provide for the accommodation
of 400 children in classes pri-
mary 1 to 4.

"With this school and your
many efforts in Aberdeen
should be on a firm footing but
there is no need to go further.
Aberdeen is primarily concerned
with fishing and all the trades
and occupations connected with
it."

"There is, also, the need for a
Trade School to which children
can go, instead of Primary 5 and
Primary 6, where they would get
occupational training suited to
the needs of the district."

"This is not to say that pro-
vision would not be made for
those children who would bene-
fit from it to proceed to higher
primary and junior middle
schools."

"I am very glad indeed that
you should have come to see me
this morning as I am convinced
that where there is mutual in-
terest and mutual trust between
the leaders of a community and
those sections of Government
which are vitally concerned in
their well-being, the greatest re-
sults for the betterment of your
country will be produced."

"Your local experience and my
Department's professional know-
ledge when applied together, each
of us having the same ends in
view, will result in obtaining for
the children of Aberdeen an un-
biased and liberal education."

"For myself, I thank you very
much for this scroll which will
always remind me of the help
and co-operation which I have
received from Aberdeen."

HKDF ORDERS

Orders by Colonel L. T. Ride,
CBE, ED, Commandant, Hong
Kong Defence Force, dated Janu-
ary 26, 1950:

IN THE SUPREME
COURT OF
HONGKONG

PROBATE JURISDICTION

IN THE GOODS OF HARRY
HENRY BLYTH late of
No. 446 King's Road, 2nd
floor in the Colony of
Hongkong Engineer de-
ceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the Court has by virtue
of Section 58 of the Probates
Ordinance 1897, made an
Order limiting the time for
creditors and others to send
in their claims against the
above estate to the 16th day
of February 1950.

All Creditors and others are
accordingly hereby required to
send their claims to the under-
signed on or before that date.

Dated the 19th day of
January 1950.

A. C. ARCULLI

Solicitor for the Ad-
ministrator of the
estate of the said
deceased.

Kayamally Building,
2nd floor
Hongkong.

HONGKONG REALTY
& TRUST
COMPANY LIMITED

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE is hereby given that
an Extraordinary General Meet-
ing of the Shareholders of the
Company will be held at the
Registered Office of the Com-
pany, 218/219 Queen's Build-
ing, Hong Kong at 11.00 a.m.
on Friday, 10th February, 1950
for the purpose of considering
and if thought fit passing the
following Resolution as an Or-
dinary Resolution:

"That the authorised capital
of the Company be in-
creased from the present
capital of \$2,000,000 divided
into 2,000,000 shares of
\$1.00 each to \$5,000,000 by
the creation of 3,000,000
additional shares of the
nominal value of \$1.00
each."

By Order of the Board of
Directors,

WHELOCK MARDEN
& COMPANY, LIMITED,
Secretaries &
General Managers.

Hong Kong, January 25, 1950.

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CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"I'd been taking this correspondence course in developing
a dominant personality—but it develops my wife's been
opening my mail and getting all the dope first!"

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay
"The Authority on Authority"

MANUFACTURING CARDS
WOULDN'T it be swell if you
were permitted to manufacture
or print your own cards during
the game, producing an extra
trick-taker beyond those dealt
out? That, in effect, is what you
do when you create a No Trump
game contract on a certain type
of deal to be placed in the cor-
rect hand, so that the opening
stopper. Everybody knows how
that applies when you have a
guarded king in an unbid suit.
It is true likewise if you have
the guarded ace of such a suit
opposite an adequately protected
queen. These can constitute
either one or two stoppers, de-
pendent on which partner is the
declarer.

S K Q J 3
H A Q 7 6
D K 8
C Q 6 2

3 A 10 7 5
H 10 9
D 9
C K 10 9 5

S 8
H J 5 4 3 2
D A 9 8 7 6
C J 3

(Dealer:
vulnerable).

North	East	South	West
1. 1 S	Pass	2 D	Pass
2. 1 H	Pass	2 S	Pass
3. 2 NT	Pass	3 NT	Pass
4. 1 S	Pass	2 D	Pass
5. 2 H	Pass	2 NT	Pass
6. 3 NT			

Notice how South at Table 1
retrained from bidding 2-No
Trump on his second turn, and
instead merely expressed a pro-
ference for spades, when strong

enough for the other bid. Why
did he do that? Solely because
his lone stopper in the unbid club
suit was the A. If his hand had
possessed equal strength, with
the guarded K in a club stopper,
he would have bid the No Trump.
South's hope was that North,
with some kind of secondary club
stopper, perhaps the Q, could bid
No Trump, which he did. As a
reward, South enabled North to
make a game. The club 10 was
led, the J going on and the Q
winning. After South gave up a
diamond trick to the A, the club
return found that suit still stop-
ped by the A. So four tricks
in diamonds, two in clubs and
three in hearts produced a game.
At the other table, where South
bid No Trump first, the club J
lead trapped the Q, leaving South
only one stopper in the suit. So,
when he lost a trick to the dia-
mond A, the defenders beat him
in a hurry, with four tricks in
clubs, plus the diamond A and
spades A.

Tomorrow's Problem
S 8 7 6 5 3
H J 6
D J 8 7
C 3 2

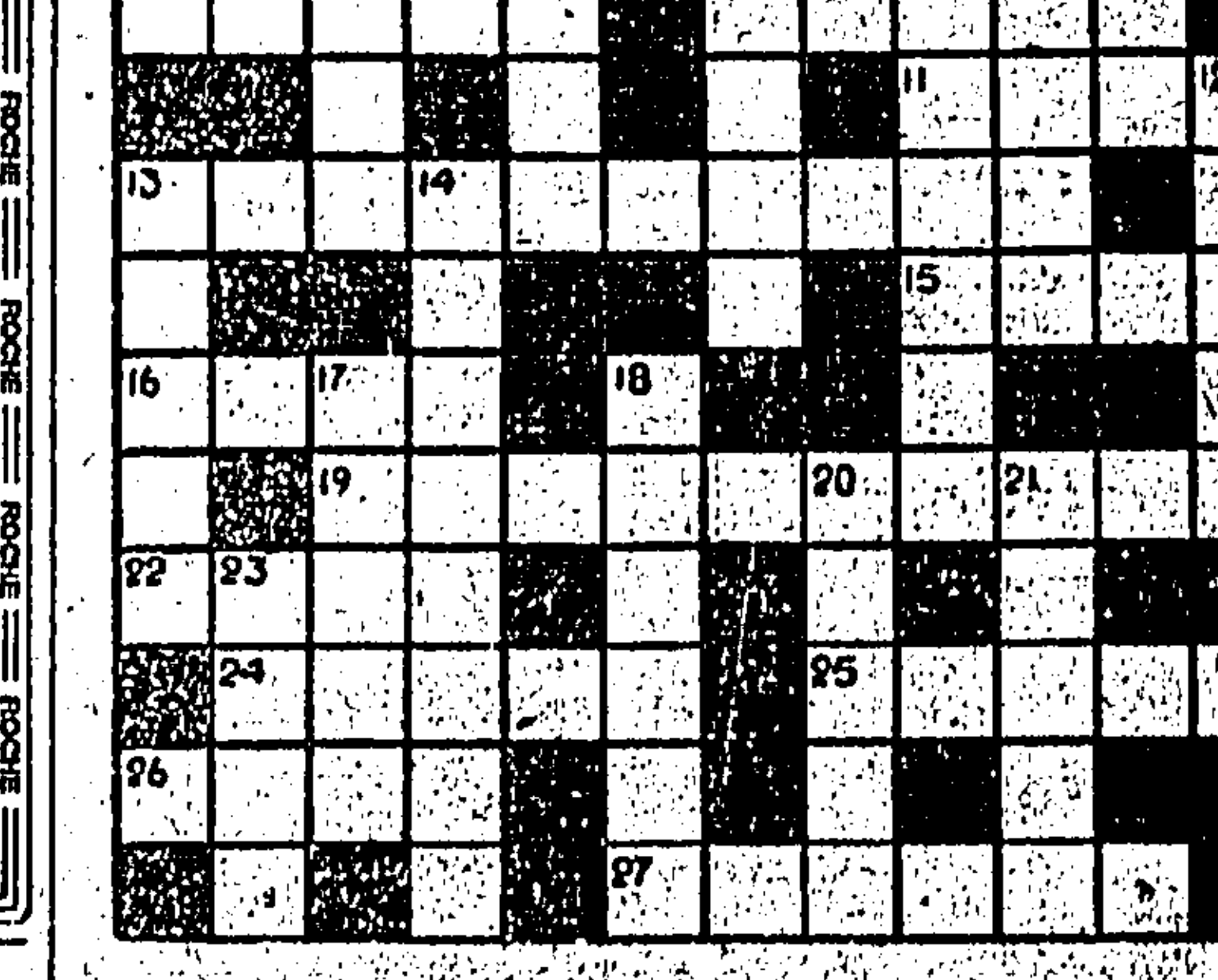
S 10
H Q 10 8 7
D 10 9 4 3
C A 6 5

S-QJ42
H-AK942
D-2
C-74

S-AK
H-6
D-AKQ65
C-KQJ108

(Dealer: South. East-West vul-
nerable).
How should South play for his
5-Diamonds if a heart is led to
the K and the A then laid down?

A BRITISH CROSS WORD PUZZLE



Across

- 1 Usual prac-
tice.
- 7 Wind in-
strument.
- 9 Commerce.
- 10 Additional.
- 11 Bird.
- 13 Not ad-
vanced.
- 15 In addition.
- 16 Quantity of
paper.
- 19 Trust.
- 22 Entrance.
- 24 Get up
clause.
- 25 Brink.
- 26 Volcano.
- 27 Affectionate.
- 2 Treatment
subjec-
tive.
- 4 Burns.
- 5 Reduce in
intensity.
- 6 Grain.
- 8 Girl's name.
- 12 Run away.
- 13 Sinned.
- 14 Com-
- 17 Fruit of the
tree.
- 18 Bring about.
- 20 Couch.
- 21 Tend in
invalid.
- 23 Imprecation.

Yesterday's Crossword
ACROSS—1. Glance, 4. Brick, 7.
Invest, 8. Minus, 10. Arch, 12. Fur-
post, 15. Augur, 16. Over, 17. Exit,
18. Rins, 20. Seethed, 21. Erse, 22.
Signs, 24. Kimono, 25. Close, 26.
Recess.

DOWN—1. Grimes, 2. Ad-
vocate, 3. Cast, 5. Reimpose, 6.
Crusade, 10. Lurid, 11. Hurting, 12.
Purpo, 13. Over, 14. Envelope,
15. Aerial, 23. Fine.

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in her
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The Girl from Manhattan

with EDWYLL THOMAS, HUGH HERBERT, WILLIAM FRANKLY
LUCILLE CORLEA, BARRA ALLEGRO
DIRECTED BY ALFRED L. CRISP. Original Story and Screenplay by
HERBERT BRECHT. Produced by BRECHT ROULEAU. Released by United Artists

TOMORROW

LAUGHS! ROMANCE! SPECTACLE! MUSIC!

MR. BUG GOES TO TOWN

Produced by MAX FLEISCHER
Directed by DAVE FLEISCHER

BOOKINGS NOW OPEN!

SUNDAY MORNING AT 11.30 A.M. ONLY
M-G-M presents

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IN THIS MAN WAS HIDDEN THE SOUL OF A BEAST!

INGRID BERGMAN
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Rage in Heaven

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ADDED! NEW TECHNICOLOR CARTOON!!

THE MOST UP-TO-DATE THEATRE ON THE MAINLAND

Liberty

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BY REQUEST



"A STRANGE WOMAN"

A GREAT WALL SUPER PRODUCTION



NEXT CHANGE

ALLIED ARTISTS PRESENTS

"IT HAPPENED ON 5th AVENUE"

with Don DeFore • Ann Harding • Charlie Ruggles
Victor Moore • Gale Storm

CINEMA WORLD



"MR. BUG GOES TO TOWN"
The Cigar was Burning

Full-length cartoon film to the King's

Imagination and originality will flash from the screen of the King's Theatre tomorrow when Paramount's new full-length Technicolor cartoon production, "Mr. Bug Goes to Town," make its initial appearance in the Colony.

This is unquestionably one of the best cartoon features yet produced. It sparkles and entertains every minute of the way. The story it tells is modern and up-to-date, differing from the usual fairy tale we have grown accustomed to expect from cartoon features.

The plot of "Mr. Bug Goes to Town" is well developed and full of the ingredients of adult entertainment. It is to the film's credit that the cartoon characters were so well drawn and so cleverly animated that at times one forgets they are not actual flesh-and-blood people.

Hoppy, the grasshopper, and Honey Bee are the hero and heroine. They live, with the others of their community, on a

little patch of land just 45 inches from Broadway. There they are surrounded by steel and cement skyscrapers and the ever-present dangers of lighted cigarettes, carelessly thrown away, and the gigantic, crushing feet of humans.

C. Bagley Beetle, the villain of the piece, is on the prowl for Honey and he is determined to marry her, by fair means or foul. Together with his two henchmen, Swat, the Fly, and Smack, the Mosquito, he rolls a lighted cigar into the "Lowlands" where Honey and all the other ordinary citizens live. He himself is above them, a man of property. He owns the "Highlands" which is comparatively safe from harm.

After the cigar sets the "Lowlands" afire, Beetle comes up with the suggestion that if Honey will marry him, the entire community may come to live in the Highlands.

Honey has to make up her mind when the little folk learn that a skyscraper is about to be built right on their town. Beetle disposes of Hoppy, at least long enough to prevail upon Honey to say "yes."

The story develops to the tune of several delightful songs, among them "We're the Couple in the Castle," "Be My Little Baby Bumble Bee" and "Katy Did."

In "Mr. Bug Goes to Town" we have an unusually amusing entertainment treat. It is thoroughly delightful, a picture that everyone is sure to find most enjoyable.

More truth than poetry in that recent comment by Peggy Hopkins Joyce: "The best lover is the one who is loving you now."

RATINGS

The "China Mail" is using the following classification to indicate to readers the quality of films reviewed:

*** Excellent

** Very Good

* Good

• Fair

STAR

17 Hankow Road, Kowloon.

TODAY

2.30, 5.10, 7.20 & 9.30 p.m.

THE UNFORGETTABLE CLASSIC OF THE SCREEN!



Darryl F. Zanuck's Production of
VICTOR HUGO'S

LES MISERABLES

Starring
FREDRIC MARCH
CHARLES LAUGHTON

Directed by CLYDE BRUCKNER
Screen Play by W. L. GATSON
Brought Back From the
20th CENTURY-FOX
Hall of Famous
Performances

NEXT CHANGE

Danny Kaye, Virginia Mayo
in
A SONG IS BORN.

4 SHOWS

TODAY

Cathay

AT 2.30, 5.30

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DIALOGUE IN MANDARIN & CANTONESE

州廣的生新

COMING SHORTLY—TENSE! SHOCKING! TERRIFYING!

John GARFIELD • Jennifer JONES in
JOHN HUSTON'S **"WE WERE STRANGERS"**

Old hit at Queen's, Alhambra

Rating: ***

The Queen's Theatre, which has in the past screened many of M-G-M's cream of the crop, brings back this week-end a pre-war hit that should see the theatre do roaring business.

"Rage in Heaven," based on James Hilton's novel, is a fine movie. It stars Robert Montgomery, Ingrid Bergman and George Sanders and possesses enough of suspense and a clever plot to fill two present day U.S. productions.

Whenever a film delves into the workings of the human mind—whether balanced or not—Hollywood usually lands up catering to an audience of morose. "The Snake Pit" was one exception, and "Rage in Heaven" is another.

Jenious created by a diseased mind and nourished with blind and senseless hatred is the theme of the picture, and Robert Montgomery plays his part as the villain, a cold and pitiless villain with a perfection; in fact, at times one is left wondering what Mr. Montgomery is like in private life.

His use of monotomy in the tone of his voice and his cold and mesmerizing stare are assets that Mr. Montgomery uses very much to advantage. Ingrid Bergman and George Sanders play subsidiary roles next to Mr. Montgomery's performance. Miss Bergman's treatment of her role calls for praise since simplicity and a refreshing kind of charm are too factors that show up well on the screen.

The film is also showing at the Alhambra Theatre

Sea drama at Roxy with Dana Andrews

Rating: **

"Deep Waters," starring Dana Andrews and Jean Peters in the romantic leads, is now at the Roxy and Broadway Theatres and should go over big with those who love outdoor life—on the screen.

Essentially a story of the sea, the film is based on Ruth Moore's novel, "Spoonhandle." It has just the proper dash of adventure and the right dose of suspense to make it enjoyable fare, although at times you may find yourself tiring too much from it.

The producers, however, have woven an intriguing plot that runs through the picture like a guardian angel and saves the cast and the audience from boredom that could become excessive. Besides Andrews and Miss Peters, "Deep Waters" stars Cesar Romero, Dean Stockwell and Ann Revere. This trio does an excellent job, and there are scenes, when both Andrews and Miss Peters are overshadowed by one, two, or all three of them.

All well that ends well, however, and Miss Peters, in this piece the problem child, learns the hard way—that it is easier to go with rather than fight the tides. A Phryic victory for the male.

Next change at the Roxy is "Cry of the City," starring that "georgious hunk of man," Victor Mature. This film is a fast-moving thriller and a must for those who like their film fare spiced with crime.



EDWARD G. ROBINSON
Is he crazy?

Entertaining melodrama at the Lee

Rating: ***

A smooth-surfaced melodrama, "Night Has a Thousand Eyes," starring Edward G. Robinson as a vaudeville "mental" who finds to his embarrassment that his clairvoyant gift is genuine, is now at the Lee Theatre and is definitely worth seeing.

Robinson who scored with his portrayal of a power-mad gangster in "Key Largo," this time impresses with his portrayal of the "mental" who feels so helplessly responsible for the catastrophes he foresees that he cannot bear to cash in on his remarkable powers.

He disappears into the depths of Los Angeles, leaving his fiancée (Virginia Bruce) to marry his partner (Jerome Cowan). Just as he could predict, Virginia dies in childbirth and Jerome makes money hand over fist.

All this is told in excellent flashback scenes. Now the near-alarm is focused on Virginia's grown-up daughter, Gail Russell. Robinson becomes entangled in a whole chain of symbolic predictions about her, and before he has a chance, he is labelled crazy by a group of shifty-looking businessmen who have Miss Russell's money at heart.

Well played and painstakingly produced, "Night Has a Thousand Eyes" is a bit over-elaborate in parts. As movie entertainment, however, it deserves praise.

FILM NEWS TO GO ON SALE SHORTLY

Featuring another complete film story, "Sword in the Desert" plus articles on and pictures of Hollywood's leading stars, the February issue of the Hong Kong Film and Theatre News rolls off the presses shortly and will be on sale next Wednesday.

This magazine, which is rapidly gaining in popularity among local cinema fans, is offering once again \$150 to the winner of the monthly Lucky Star Quiz, and if you missed the answers last month, you may be lucky in February.

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SOVIET PENETRATION OF NORTHERN CHINA

Washington backs up charges with proof REPLY TO VYSHINSKY

Washington, January 25

The State Department today produced documentary information to support the recent charge made by the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, that Russia is taking over some areas in Northern China.

The document was an answer to the statement made by the Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr. Andrei Vyshinsky, last week, branding Mr. Acheson's charges as "monstrous and awkward lies."

The State Department document said: "Soviet strategic detachment from Chinese control is in progress in China's Northern provinces, as it is in certain European areas, and, as in those areas, it may be expected to proceed by carefully planned stages."

EMPIRE'S DOLLAR POSITION

London, January 25

British financial officials stated today that the Commonwealth's 25 per cent cut in dollar imports was reviewed as a matter of routine at the Colombo Conference.

All such arrangements among Commonwealth countries are periodically reviewed, they said, because the Commonwealth dollar position is not static. Over a period of months it can improve or worsen.

American Press reports that Britain at Colombo proposed a six months' extension of the arrangement, until the end of this year, are believed to rest on a misconception.

According to these British officials, when the Commonwealth countries went to the Colombo Conference it was their general sense that the dollar savings would have to continue indefinitely, and the review during the meeting confirmed this impression.

Dollar imports are drawn up annually. Since the 25 per cent cut, which was agreed upon last July, did not become fully effective until the beginning of this year, its first full year could be regarded as the calendar year 1950 rather than the 12 months ending next June.

But there was never any question of continuing it to any particular date. It continues for such time, long or short, as the dollar shortage enforces it.

It is subject to relaxation or to further tightening, for the Commonwealth is a whole or for any particular country, as the situation may change at any time.—Reuter.

Americans in China as hostages?

Washington, January 25

The Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, has expressed concern that some of the 3,000 Americans still in China may be held as hostages by the Communists, according to some Senators who heard Mr. Acheson's testimony before the Foreign Relations Committee on Tuesday.

These Senators said Mr. Acheson told the Committee that the Chinese Communists have adopted the practice of compelling each homeward-bound American to designate someone in China who will be responsible for debts and for any subsequent criminal charge lodged against him.

Mr. Acheson is said to have disclosed that charges ranging from personal assault to non-payment of rent may be levied against an American months after he has left China.

These Communist tactics have made it most difficult for Americans to get home, Mr. Acheson told the Committee, according to the Senators.—United Press.

PAKISTAN WHEAT FOR SPAIN

Karachi, January 26

A local news agency report said today that Spain is negotiating to purchase Pakistan wheat surplus. The agency pointed out that the Spanish Government, for Karachi, Mr. Emilio Nunez stated in negotiations with the Pakistan Government, "materially, Spain may purchase 200,000 tons of wheat from this country.—United Press.

"The Soviet Union has placed the richest industrial area of China firmly behind the Far Eastern segment of the 'Iron Curtain'."

The State Department said that the document was "based on a large accumulation of reports and data available to this Government."

It also hinted that it has further evidence which it will not make public at this time.

The document said: "Despite the fiction of the independent Mongolian, People's Republic, Soviet penetration in Outer Mongolia is complete."

It said that Outer Mongolia has not been recognized by all of the nations in the Soviet sphere. Yet by treaty, Soviet troops are maintained in this "independent republic," and its trade is completely monopolized by Russia.

It said that Manchuria is ruled by a Sino-Russian partnership, with the stronger partner in the dominant position, and claimed that Russia is extending its economic and strategic domination.

Secret police

Soviet troops occupy Dairen and Port Arthur, and Russia has extended its control of railways beyond what was contemplated in its 1949 treaty with China.

The document charged the Russians with participation in the Manchurian secret police and in the training of native military forces, and that Russia has obtained navigation and fishing rights, operated the only civil air service, controls and operates important industrial and hydro-electric plants, as well as several gold and coal mines.

It said that under the agreement concluded between Russia and the Chinese Communists last July, 60 per cent of Manchuria's farm produce is exported to the Soviet Union, causing severe local shortages.

The State Department also said that Manchuria has a separate currency and separate economic controls from those of the rest of the Chinese Communist territory, whereas USSR penetration in Manchuria is widespread, and economic and strategic exploitation is well advanced.

Sinkiang moves

It said that in Inner Mongolia and Sinkiang the process of economic and political penetration is less advanced.

But the indications of present Russian moves there are strongly reminiscent of the earlier state of affairs in Outer Mongolia.

Russia has sought permission to station troops in Sinkiang.

There are also strong indications that Russia obtained, or is seeking, exclusive air transport, trade and investment, and mineral rights in Sinkiang.

The document said that the Soviet-inspired semi-autonomous Mongol regime in Inner Mongolia is "only loosely affiliated" with the Chinese Communist authorities.

Carefully planned

It concluded: "How long this process of penetration and detachment will take will depend on the Soviet timetable and, of course, on any resistance which may arise in Chinese quarters."

"Strategic points, such as communications and industry, appear to be already well under Soviet control."

"The Soviet strategic detachment from Chinese control is in progress in China's Northern provinces, and, as in certain areas in Europe, it may be expected to proceed by carefully planned stages."

Changes in Mongolia

Important changes were announced today in the Government of the Mongolian People's Republic. It was reported that the Mongolian People's Republic had elected a new government. The new government was headed by a Chairman of the State Council, and included several other officials. The changes were announced in a statement issued by the State Council.

The announcement, which was under Tuesday's date and came from Ulan Bator, capital of the Mongolian People's Republic, said that Chodolbaatar was overburdened with his duties as Chairman of the Council of Ministers.

This and his personal request led to the new appointments, it was stated.

The new Foreign Minister is the present Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Ikhansurub.

The new Minister of Armed Forces is Major General Chanchub, who has been Deputy Minister of the Armed Forces.

United Press and Associated Press.

ITALY Suing BRITISH BANK

London, January 25

Italy sued a British bank today for the late King Victor Emmanuel's \$42,000 British fortune.

The Republic brought the action in Chancery Court against Hambro's, bank administrators of the King's Estate in Britain, and Sir Henry Stanley Gregory, the Government's Custodian of Enemy Property.

Victor Emmanuel's holdings in Britain were seized when Italy and Britain went to war. After the little monarch died in 1947, the Enemy Property Custodian paid the British Government £78,000 in estate duty and turned the rest over to Hambro's.

Italy's lawyer, Pascoe Hayward, told the Court that Sir Henry should not have paid the estate duty or shifted the estate to Hambro's.

According to Mr. Hayward, there was a breach of the Anglo-Italian agreement under which all Italian assets in Britain were to be turned over to Italy.

Victor Emmanuel's estate in Britain consisted of cash and investments.—Associated Press.

ANTI-RED ARMY IN UKRAINE

Munich, January 25

A Ukrainian Liberty Army, numbering between 100,000 and 200,000 men, is operating behind the "Iron Curtain," according to Dr. Peter Mirschuk, spokesman of the S. K. Lemkau of Ukrainian concentration camp prisoners.

The "Munich Abend Zeitung" in reporting this said that Dr. Mirschuk disclosed that the main operational centre of the Liberty Army is in the Carpatho-Ukraine, but some of the Army's units are active in the Crimea, in the Caucasus and in the Baltic region.—Reuter.

Peking radio concentrates on Tibet

San Francisco, January 26

The Chinese Communist radio for the second consecutive day, violently denounced the Tibetan decision to send goodwill missions abroad to "explain" Tibetan independence, and re-iterated that Tibet is an integral part of China, due for "liberation."

The Radio said, the Chinese people "are longing for the army of our fatherland to march Westwards," and charged "the imperialists with directing the Lhasa authorities to carry out the plot of so-called 'independence' from behind the scenes."

The radio quoted nationwide protests against the Tibetan independence move, and repeated the warning that any country receiving the Tibetan emissaries violated China's sovereignty and will "be considered deliberately hostile to the Chinese people."—United Press.

GUERRILLA WARFARE IN KOREA

San Francisco, January 25

Guerrilla warfare is raging practically all over South Korea, Peking Radio claimed tonight. It said that the "People's partisans" are swiftly growing into a strong force there.

The number of men mobilized by the partisans up to October last totalled over 89,000, the broadcast said.

It added that up to last August the operations of the partisans covered eight provinces, seven cities, 118 counties and 682 districts.

It claimed that most of the main mountain ranges in South Korea are under the control of the partisans who hold bases for guerrilla operations in six provinces.

The broadcast further said that during the seven months between April and October, 1949, guerrillas, supported by the local population, annihilated 7,811 "enemy troops" at the same time capturing 17,735 of them.

The broadcast said that these figures were given by the South Korean newspaper "Labourer". Peking Radio described as "a new phase of the armed struggle of the South Korean people" alleged peasant uprisings throughout South Korea against "grain levying by the Syngman Rhee Government."

These uprisings had taken place last October and had resulted in peasants in many districts restoring the "People's committees" long ago suppressed by American imperialism.—Reuter.

APOLOGY FROM WEST GERMANY

Bohn, January 25

The West German Government officially apologized today to the French High Commissioner, M. Andre Franco-Poncet, for the recent "war vindication" speech of the Minister of Justice, Herr Thomas Dehler.

And in another gesture, the Federal Chancellor, Dr. Konrad Adenauer, appealed to Party leaders for calm and patience on the Saar question.—Reuter.

CHINESE WORKERS FOR POLAND

Vladivostok, January 25

Diplomatic informants said last night that more than 3,000 Chinese labourers have been shipped through China to work in the Upper Silesian coal mines of Poland to reduce the critical shortage of labour. It is part of the "Poland" taken from Germany after the war.—Associated Press.

KMT confident of ability to defend Taiwan

Lake Success, January 25

Dr. T.F. Tsing, the Chinese Nationalist chief delegate to the United Nations, declared today that Taiwan could be defended by China's military forces.

He said that his government had not asked the United States for naval aid to fend off the expected Communist invasion of the island.

Dr. Tsing told a luncheon of the UN Correspondents Association that military aid to the Nationalists in defending Taiwan would not be necessary unless Russia gave active aid in the form of naval assistance to the Communists for the invasion of the island.

"Perhaps this contingency is now being discussed in Moscow conferences between the Russians and the Chinese Communists," he said.

Dr. Tsing said that the Chinese had no doubts of the defensibility of Taiwan, inasmuch as the Communists lack naval and aircraft of their own.

He said it was known that Russia had provided some planes for Mao Tse-tung's forces, but that they had been used only for training purposes.

"The Communists have never met us in the air," Dr. Tsing said.

Dr. Tsing said that successful holding operation in Taiwan would make it difficult for the Communists to plan to undertake new adventures in Indonesia, the Philippines, and China and elsewhere.

He said Taiwan is garrisoned by between 150,000 and 200,000 trained troops equipped with American arms, ridiculing the idea that Taiwan could be easily overrun from the mainland.

He said that one mile off the port of Ningpo is the island of Tiaohai which can be seen from the mainland. On Tiaohai is a major air installation from which the Nationalist Air Force is continuously raiding Shanghai and Nanking.

A similar position off the port of Amoy is the island of Kinmen. These two islands have immense strategic importance in the Chinese civil war. The Communists have not been able to take either one.

Major obstacle

Dr. Tsing asked, "If they could not overrun either of these two islands, which are not mentioned often in the Press here, how can they quickly overrun Taiwan which presents a major obstacle?"

Dr. Tsing said that he is considering asking the United Nations to send a watch-dog commission to Taiwan to observe and report on foreign assistance, if any, to the Communists.

Dr. Tsing said that but for Soviet Russia support, Nationalist China felt confident of holding Formosa indefinitely.

He declared that the current Moscow talks between the Russians and the Chinese Communists must in part be devoted to future Russian aid to Peking.

Such aid was undoubtedly given in the past, he said.—United Press and Reuter.

RAIDS ON SHANGHAI SHIPPING

Taipei, January 25

Chinese Nationalist heavy bombers attacked Shanghai again today, reporting direct hits on seven ships.

The Air Force said returning pilots reported there were no planes on Shanghai air fields.

This suggested that the recent aerial pounding had made the Reds too dangerous for the Communists to use.

Pilots said a number of warehouses on Shanghai's river front were left in flames.

They said the bombed ships were from 1,000 to 2,000 tons. Two were in dry dock.

Eight planes attacked Swatow, mainland port opposite Taiwan. They claimed that many small craft in the harbour were sunk or damaged.

Other fighters shot up trains running north out of Canton, in South China.

Three new Ministers were appointed today in the first major reshuffle of the Nationalist government since General Yen Hsi-shan took over the Premiership in Canton last May.—Associated Press.

PEKING PICTURE

San Francisco, January 25

The Chinese Communist radio, commenting on the fate of American, French and Dutch properties in the Peking Legation Quarter by the Peking military authorities, described the seized buildings as "lying pictures of imperialist aggression on China."

They remind us of a humiliation in history which must be erased," it recalled "bitter memories" evoked by the Legation Quarter, and rejoiced that this is now "people's land. We can now walk freely there."—United Press.

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BRITAIN AND ISRAEL CONFER ON FINANCE

London, January 25.
Britain and Israel began talks today to find a solution to financial problems arising from the end of the British mandate over Palestine. Two main issues are involved. 1. Claims and finances resulting from the liquidation of the British mandate and the setting up of the Israel Government.

HOPES FOR HOLY CITY REGIME

Geneva, January 25.
Mr. Roger Garreau, President of the United Nations Trusteeship Council, thinks that agreement can be reached for an international regime for Jerusalem.

M. Garreau said that at the close of the Council's Executive Session in New York last December, he had been entrusted with the task of drawing up a working paper, which would form the basis for discussion of the Trusteeship Council's meeting now going on here.

He stated that he will make his statement on the results of his consultations in drawing up the working paper to the Trusteeship Council next Monday.

He said that on Monday the Council will send out invitations to the Governments of Jordan and Israel to send representatives to take part in the discussions on the international regime for Jerusalem, but without the right to vote.

According to Press reports, which M. Garreau said were substantially correct, his report to the Trusteeship Council envisages a very restricted area for internationalisation.

M. Garreau stated that in the course of his various consultations he had received a suggestion from the Archbishop of Canterbury, who proposed the internationalisation of a very small zone of Jerusalem, but without the right to vote.

This suggestion had also been forwarded by the Foreign Committee of the World Council of Churches, which added that people living in these zones should be allowed to administer themselves rather than be under United Nations administration.

"Options I heard during my recent consultations," M. Garreau said, "were that it would be very difficult to implement the internationalisation of Jerusalem if applied in a restricted sense but a solution was possible if one took a more liberal interpretation."

M. Garreau said that agreement can be reached if there is a spirit of compromise on both sides.

"Compromise, of course, is never 100 per cent satisfactory," he added, "but a compromise is always better than intransigent attitudes. With goodwill and comprehension we will find a solution. What we must not forget is that Jerusalem is not only a city but a holy place for Jews, Moslems and the whole of Christianity."—Reuter.

Release of some of the £8,000,000 balances of Israel in London.

The British delegation is led by Sir James Crombie, a Third Secretary at the Treasury. David Horowitz, Director-General of the Ministry of Finance, heads the Israeli delegation.

The Israeli delegation said that, while in London, they will also hold unofficial talks with British businessmen whose firms are interested in Israel.

Experts of the two countries talked over the problems of claims and counter-claims arising from the change in governments in Tel Aviv last summer. They failed to reach an agreement. The talks were transferred to London.

Military stocks

These claims and counter-claims include such things as the British War Office demand for payment of stocks left behind when it evacuated Palestine and Israel demands that the British Army pay for use of railways after the mandate ended.

Various sums have been mentioned. The one most frequently mentioned here is about £30,000,000 on both sides.

The Sterling balance talks follow the end last October 31 of a temporary agreement between the two countries.

Under that temporary agreement, the British released about £7,000,000 to Israel from the frozen funds.

Israel is contending that the money should not be treated as Sterling balances—that is credits built up in Britain in wartime. Israel says that when she was a member of the Sterling area, the money was put on deposit in Britain because Israel, then Palestine, had no central banking system of its own.—Associated Press.

Elizabeth may return to Malta

London, January 26.

Princess Elizabeth hopes to find time this spring for another visit to her sailor husband, Prince Philip, at Malta.

A Buckingham Palace Press officer said that the timing will depend on Princess Elizabeth's heavy round of public appearances. The heiress to the throne has had to take over many of her father's engagements since he came down with a serious leg ailment in November, 1948.

The Palace Press officer said a trip by Princess Elizabeth to Malta when circumstances permit would be an obvious thing since Prince Philip's naval duties come before any social travelling on his part.

Prince Philip has been a First Lieutenant on the destroyer Chequer of the Mediterranean Fleet based at Malta since last October. Princess Elizabeth visited him there last November 20 to December 2.

She and her 14-month-old son, Prince Charles, returned to London on Tuesday from a stay with the King and Queen at Sandringham.—Associated Press.

All-out war will be waged on Westerling

Jakarta, January 26.
Indicating that the Indonesians are preparing to declare an all-out war on the guerrilla army, Republican Lieutenant-General Suhardjo told a Press conference that there is only one way to deal with Westerling. He said, "And that is through direct military action."

General Suhardjo is confident that Westerling's forces can be liquidated within a month and added, "No compromise is possible with this rebel."

ALGER HISS GAOLED

New York, January 25.
Alger Hiss, former State Department official, was sentenced here today to five years in a Federal penitentiary for perjury.

Hiss, aged 48, one-time adviser to President Roosevelt and Secretary-General of the United Nations Charter conference in San Francisco in 1945, was found guilty last Saturday by a Federal Court. The court found that he lied when he denied passing State Department documents to Whittaker Chambers, self-styled courier for a Soviet spy ring.

Hiss was not fined. He had faced a maximum penalty of 10 years in prison and a \$4,000 fine.

The defence counsel has announced that the case will be taken to the United States Circuit Court of Appeals—one step below the Supreme Court.

The Hiss case began when Chambers alleged to the House of Representatives' Un-American Activities Committee that Hiss passed him secret Government papers when he was an underground Communist agent in the 1930's.

Hiss, at his two trials, was not charged with espionage but simply with lying when he said that he was not a spy.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, today re-affirmed his friendship for Hiss.

A few hours after Hiss was sentenced, Mr. Acheson said, "I should like to make it quite clear, whatever the outcome of any appeal by Mr. Hiss, that I do not intend to turn my back on Alger Hiss."

Hiss was an associate of Mr. Acheson in the State Department during the war.—Reuter.

HOLLYWOOD STARS DRUG ADDICTS?

Hollywood, January 25.
Hollywood police said that the names of a great many film celebrities have been found in the apartment of a man accused of operating a \$1,000-a-week marijuana drug ring.

The police are keeping the names secret, pending investigation.

Nathan Polk, aged 26, arrested on a Hollywood street corner on Tuesday night, was freed on \$1,000 bail, pending a preliminary hearing on Thursday on charges of possessing marijuana.

A Virginia Lee Corbin, aged 22, arrested in Polk's flat, is being held for trial on a similar charge, the police said.—Associated Press.

American skipper bluffed Communists in Tsingtao

(By Wayne Richardson)

Aboard Flying Arrow at Kobe, January 25.

The skipper of this American freighter had to bluff the Chinese Communists by threatening to call non-existent destroyers in order to get his clearance papers to leave Tsingtao. Captain David Jones told me of the tense negotiations as we approached Kobe.

The freighter had put in at Tsingtao to discharge cargo after a Chinese Nationalist gunboat shelled us off Shanghai on January 9.

Captain Jones declared his ship's departure from Tsingtao was held up for six days by the Communists, who delayed the vessel in every manner.

In the midst of a quarrel to get his clearance papers at the Communist navigation bureau, Captain Jones gambled on a bluff. Turning on the officials he said: "If my vessel is not allowed to sail or given sufficient reasons for its detention, I will radio

American destroyers outside to come in and get me—that I am being held unlawfully."

Bluff works

There were no American destroyers outside. The destroyer Baussel had escorted us to Tsingtao from the mouth of the Yangtze to within eight miles of Tsingtao. Now it was probably far away.

Shortly after Captain Jones stormed from the navigation office, his clearance was delivered to him aboard ship. We emerged from a bad situation on Monday by casting off immediately.

Captain Jones had begun his battle to get his papers returned on Saturday. No reason was given for denying them.

The atmosphere was tense from the time we dropped anchor in Tsingtao on Friday, January 13. After three hours of unnecessary questioning, by flag signal, we were permitted to a closer anchorage for quarantine inspection.

Then it was 20 more hours before quarantine officials boarded. They swarmed aboard, accom-

panied by many soldiers armed with sub-machineguns and rifles.

Radio sealed

They stocked over the ship and into the dining saloon, obstructing the ship's routine and meals. When asked to come to the ship's office for business, they said they would not allow the ship to dock until they were ready. They demanded that the ship's radio be sealed and the ship's guns turned over to them.

It took us four days to get red clearance to enter the harbour and dock.

Captain Jones called at Communist headquarters each day. There he was asked about U.S. politics and U.S. help to Chiang Kai-shek. The Communists also liberally irritated him by asking him what he thought of his Government for allowing such proceedings.

Captain Jones looked at the U.S. Army equipment in their office and in the yard equipment that had been given to the Nationalists and lost. All he could do was burn inside.

Tsingtao was an anchorage of the U.S. Fleet in the Western Pacific. Now the Navy's huge installations have been taken over by the Communists.—Associated Press.

INDONESIANS SADDLED WITH RESPONSIBILITY OF QUELLING REVOLT

Dutch denial of help for rebels

Jakarta, January 25.
The Dutch declared today that coping with the "Host of Heaven" rebels is an Indonesian and not a Dutch responsibility. At the same time, the Dutch denied helping the rebels, led by "Turk" Westerling.

A joint communique, issued by the Netherlands High Commissioner and the Commander-in-Chief of the Netherlands Army in Indonesia, said: "The illegal forces which penetrated Bandoeng have had no support whatever from forces under Dutch command. This is one of the reasons why the action came to a dead end."

In a special statement, the High Commissioner, Dr. H. M. Hirschfield, said he regretted that 300 men had deserted from the Dutch forces and joined the Westerling rebels, but most of the deserters, he continued, were Indonesian, and only a few were Dutch.

"It is for the United States of Indonesia to deal with these people," (the Westerling rebels), Hirschfield added.

The joint communique, issued by Hirschfield and the Dutch Army chief, admitted that Westerling was a Dutch national. It said, however, that it was "untrue that confusion should have arisen from the fact that the illegal forces could not be distinguished from forces under Dutch command." The communique declared that deserters in Dutch uniforms had removed all distinguishing insignia.

The High Commissioner said the acts of the Westerling forces are being considered completely illegal.

He described as completely false any impression that a great number of Dutch nationals deserted.

The statement added: "The High Commissioner is of the opinion that it is not for him to expose all the facts of this matter, but he feels it right to point out assistance but that in judging the Bandoeng affair, it should be borne in mind that troops of the Royal Netherlands Indies Army—predominantly consisting of Indonesians—still have no knowledge of the conditions by which they may be admitted to the Army of the U.S.I."

No responsibility
Some, therefore, "become susceptible to the agitation of irresponsible individuals whose attitude the Netherlands Government condemns," the statement said.

The Netherlands Government, the statement continued, bears no responsibility whatsoever for the action of these individuals who, insofar as there are Netherlands nationals among them, know they act contrary to the wishes and views of that Government.

Meanwhile, with a dusk-to-dawn curfew, Bandoeng is today an empty city after dark. Indonesian Army patrols roared through the streets in open trucks and held road-blocks on all thoroughfares entering the city.

Dutch armoured cars also roared through the streets whenever occasional shots shattered the silence.

Westerling's "Army of the Heavenly Host" has apparently faded into its mountain fastnesses as easily and effectively as it marched into Bandoeng last Monday, leaving the Indonesian forces wondering when it will descend to earth again.

Westerling and two of his officers appeared in Bandoeng only yesterday with pistols bulging in their trouser pockets. The police gave them a wide berth, while the Indonesian Army were either unaware of their presence or preferred to ignore it.

Much confusion

One of the strange features of the confused situation is that, as far as can be ascertained, no order has so far been issued for Westerling's arrest, though the Indonesian Army Headquarters at Djakarta said that his forces would be resolutely pursued and destroyed.

There is certainly no sign in Bandoeng of a resolute pursuit. The confusion is made worse by a spate of contradictory statements issued by the various political, governmental and "shadow" governmental bodies in West Java.

On the one hand, the Pasundan State Government has openly expressed sympathy for Westerling and talked of declaring a "Jihad"—a holy war—against unprincipled invaders with the assistance of the Darul Islam (a fanatical Moslem organisation) forces known to be near the city.

Darul Islam, a Moslem State, has appeared on the walls of Bandoeng City over the signature of the "Islamic" mystic, Karti Suwirlo, who is known to have headquarters in the mountain near Garret, 40 miles from Bandoeng.

Darul Islam declared war on the Indonesian Army last year, attacking Dutch and Indonesian posts with equal ferocity, but since the Hague agreement they no longer attacked the Dutch Army, whose vehicles carry an

TRUCULENT DISASTER SEQUEL

London, January 25.
The commanding officer of the submarine Truculent, which was rammed and sunk in the Thames Estuary with the loss of 64 lives, will be court-martialled on a charge of "negligently or by default losing his ship," the Admiralty announced tonight.

The Admiralty statement said that in naval practice the loss of a ship was frequently followed by a court-martial, and their decision to court-martial the commander, Lieutenant C. P. Bowers, should "not be taken to convey any implication regarding the responsibility for the disaster."

Lieutenant Bowers, aged 27, was one of the 15 survivors. He was standing in the conning tower when the Swedish ship, Divina, rammed the submarine on January 12.

A preliminary maritime enquiry by the Swedish Consul-General into the collision will open here tomorrow. The captain of the Divina, Captain Karl Hummerberg, will be heard as well as the Second Mate, Mr. Franz Leppelt, who was on the bridge when the collision occurred, and the helmsman, Herbert Teunema.

It is also possible that the British pilot on board the Divina will give evidence at the enquiry, although the Swedish authorities have no legal right to summon him to appear.

The leader of the enquiry is the Swedish Consul-General in London, Mr. C. A. M. Halenborg. The British naval authorities have been notified and will probably be represented at the enquiry.—Reuter.

SHIP AGROUND

San Francisco, January 25.
The Marine Exchange reported that the Greek steamer, Kostas Lomis, went aground at Sansum Point on Vancouver Island, 22 miles off Victoria, British Columbia, early today. The Coast Guard hopes to refloat the ship at high tide.—United Press.

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SECURITY MEASURES IN FRANCE

Paris, January 25. French security measures, including stern treatment for newspapers carrying on "false campaigns," were approved today by the Council of Ministers.

The measures are primarily directed against the Communist opposition to what they call the "dirty war" in Indo-China and to the forthcoming United States shipments of war materials to the Atlantic Pact nations.

"The necessary police measures will be taken and strengthened," M. Taitgen, the Minister of State in charge of Information, told the Press after the Ministers had met with the Prime Minister, M. Georges Bidault.

Earlier today, the National Assembly's Defence Commission voted a motion "stigmatising the authors of sabotage actions against the safety of our troops fighting the enemies of France in the Far East."

The Commission asked the Government to act swiftly against "these acts of treason."

The Communist-led General Confederation of Labour has appealed to all French workers to hamper the manufacture and transportation of military equipment, and "Humanite," the Party newspaper, asked its readers to show disapproval of the "provocative policy" of the Government in Indo-China at a mass meeting today in front of the Prime Minister's Office.

The Hotel Matignon, the official residence of the Prime Minister, was heavily guarded by steel-helmeted police.

The anti-sabotage measures are also aimed at unrest in the nationalised railways. A National Defence Ministry spokesman told Reuters: "Workers will be dismissed if there is a specific mistake in the handling of trains carrying national defence equipment."

M. Taitgen said that the Government would cope with the false news campaigns by forbidding people to be newspaper editors and Members of Parliament at the same time.

"Some newspapers are grossly exaggerating the news, and such an extension of sabotage activities should be sternly coped with," he said.—Reuters.

HYDROGEN BOMB ADVOCATED

Lake Success, January 25. The United States should go ahead with the manufacture of the hydrogen bomb before Russia does, according to Mr. Frederick H. Osborn who has just resigned as American representative on the United Nations Atomic Energy Commission.

He said here today that from his three years' experience with the Commission he concluded that there was no hope at present of reaching agreement with the Russians on world atomic control.

Mr. Osborn declared, "I cannot imagine that the American people will be content to sit back and let Russia manufacture a super atomic bomb of hydrogen and fission which they themselves because we are pacifists."

Mr. Osborn explained that he had no inside knowledge of the H-Bomb, but he said that he was convinced that nothing was to be gained by delaying its construction.

(President Truman is at present considering whether to go ahead with the new bomb or delay its construction until one more American appeal is made to Moscow for a control agreement).—Reuters.

U.S. SYMPATHY WITH TITO

Belgrade, January 25. Mr. George Arian, the American Ambassador in Belgrade, told a Press conference here today that the United States is in full sympathy with Yugoslavia's stand against Communist interference in her internal affairs.

Asked to define the official American policy towards Yugoslavia, the Ambassador declared that the United States is opposed to aggression and the use of military force in achieving national aims, according to the basic principles laid down by President Truman and applicable to Yugoslavia and to anywhere else in the world.

"We are fully sympathetic to Yugoslavia's determination to preserve her independence and prevent outside interference," he said.—Reuters.

London, January 25.

The Conservative Party charged today that labour's collective bargaining rights, including the right to strike, would eventually disappear in Britain under a Socialist regime, as they have disappeared in Socialist Russia.

This charge was made in campaign literature supplementing the Party's manifesto of policy, published on Wednesday, which promised the British people the continuation of their social services, lower taxes, maintenance of full employment, and an end to nationalisation of industries if the Tories are elected on February 23.

The new campaign literature is obviously designed to woo disgruntled trade unionists away from the Labour Party, especially those who have been snubbed under the Socialist Government's wage freeze. The trade unions are the backbone of the Labour Party.

The Labour Government won only a bare majority recently from the trade unions when they voted on whether to support the wage freeze which the Tories at present indirectly promise to abandon.

"The Labour Party intends—today, but as soon as it can—to establish a completely socialist State," the Tory supplement pointed out.

The Conservative Party manifesto, "This is the Road," issued on Wednesday and outlining what the Conservative Party proposes if they win the February election, met with approval from Conservative newspapers and criticism from newspapers supporting the Labour Party.

Nearly all the London national papers devoted their editorials to the manifesto.

A winner

The Conservative "Daily Mail" saw the manifesto "looks to us like a winner. It is the most stimulating political document we have read for years. It has none of the sloppy wordings or the evasion of vital issues which disgraced the Socialist statement issued last week."

"The Labour 'Daily Herald' mouthpiece of the Labour Party, employed in Britain if the Conservatives won the election. The manifesto is an unsuccessful piece of bluff," said the "Herald."

The independent "Daily Express" applauded the Conservative decision to develop the Empire.

"Under the leadership of Churchill, surrounded by new and enthusiastic lieutenants unconvinced by past mistakes, immediate progress could be achieved," said the "Express."

No bounds

"Given the will and the determination, given devotion to Empire and not lip service, given above all the courage to turn away from dependence on the United States, we need set no craven bounds to the march of Empire," stated the "Express."

The left wing "Daily Mirror" asked how the Conservatives proposed to save more and spend more. It held the view that the

Talks on vocational training

Geneva, January 25. Dr. N. Daf, the Indian Government delegate to the tripartite conference on vocational training called by the International Labour Organisation, has been unanimously elected Chairman of the Government group.

The conference, which opened yesterday, is being attended by representatives of 20 countries. It will examine a draft recommendation on vocational training and will prepare a report for the ILO General Conference to be held in Geneva later this year.

In his address to the first plenary session, Dr. Daf said that his country attaches "great importance to the need for the vocational training programme in direct relation to the national employment market."

He said that international regulations on this subject should be flexible enough to take into account the different national circumstances.

As the sole representative from Asian countries, Dr. Daf felt that it might not be possible for Asian countries to apply the recommendations if it embodied many high-sounding principles, which, however desirable, were beyond the existing resources and organisation of most Asian States.—Reuters.

manifesto did not say how, and that the Conservatives' "whole attitude is obscure."

The Liberal "News-Chronicle" said: "We think the Liberals and the Labour Party would be well advised to take the Tory Party election manifesto seriously. It just cannot be laughed off. It bears the mark of intelligent minds well aware of the changing tides of our times."

Honest attempt

"The Times" called the manifesto "an able and thorough piece of work. This manifesto may be regarded as an honest enough attempt at election time to put promises on a basis of fact."

The Conservative "Daily Telegraph" said, when comparing the manifesto with that issued by the Labour Party, that "there is little difference in principle between the two parties on Commonwealth policy and on European policy—both essential means of narrowing and compensating for the dollar gap—but there are very great differences in detail."

"All the signs, as distinct from the claims to be able to give leadership and inspire confidence, are on the Conservative side," United Press and Associated Press.

Britain through Red spectacles

Moscow, January 26. Britain is not ruled by Parliament, according to the newspaper "Trud" in an article on the forthcoming general election.

Affairs of state are conducted "in the shady offices of the Federation of British Industries, at secret meetings of Labour and Conservatives with representatives of the financial oligarchy."

"More than this, affairs are decided by directives received from shady offices on the other side of the ocean in New York and Washington."

"Trud" called the Labour election pamphlet, "Let Us Win Through Together," an "empty sounding declaration, a mixture of demagoguery and lies."—Associated Press.

U.S. urged to keep conscription bill

Washington, January 25.

The United States Secretary of State, Mr. Acheson, urged Congress today to extend conscription to show the world that the United States intends to remain strong.

"Weakness invites aggression, direct or indirect and to remain free the nations of the free world must be strong, both economically and in terms of their defensive capabilities," he declared.

Mr. Acheson appeared before the House of Representatives' Armed Services Committee to support the Administration's request for a three-year extension of the conscription law, due to expire next June.

The Committee has already heard military leaders plead for an extension as a "form of insurance in the event of another war and as a spur to recruiting."

Committee members have shown little enthusiasm for the proposal, though there has been talk of keeping selective service on a "stand-by" basis with a ban on drafting men unless Congress approves.

Mr. Acheson said that the Draft Law was needed to support America's foreign policy. Letting it die would be interpreted abroad as a slackening of American determination to stand as the principal defender against aggression.

"The fundamental objective of American foreign policy is the maintenance of world peace," he said.

"We have constantly worked within the framework of the United Nations to help develop adequate means of ensuring international peace and security."

"That peace is not yet more secure is no fault of the United Nations Organisation or of the United States," but "is traced directly to the record of obstructionism and intransigence of the USSR, a record with which you are completely familiar."—Reuters.

Conditions for release of U.S. fliers

Aboard The Flying Arrow at Kobe, January 25, Captain David Jones of the freighter Flying Arrow said that Mr. Wong, Director of the Teingtao Board for Military Control of Foreign Affairs for Civilians, told him that the two captured United States Marine fliers could be released "very quickly" if the United States would make a "proper" diplomatic request. (This apparently) would mean formal recognition of the Communist regime in China.

Captain Jones said the United States State Department had asked him to try to arrange the release of the fliers, Master Sergeant Charles E. Bender and Chief Electrician William Smith.—Associated Press.

BURGLARS HOLD UP DIPLOMAT

Paris, January 25. Two burglars held an American diplomat and his wife at bay with guns for five hours early today and then left with 5,000 French francs as loot.

Edward J. Krause, Assistant Commercial Attache at the Paris Embassy, said the name robbers told them during the five-hour vigil that they had robbed the house five days before, taking \$200 worth of Mrs. Krause's jewelry.

One of the burglars, his face masked with a white handkerchief, kept Mr. and Mrs. Krause in their bedroom while his partner ransacked the house. They battered down several doors of an upstairs flat whose occupants were on holiday.

"They thought we were rich Americans, I guess," said Mrs. Krause.

The Krause home is an old mansion on the Boulevard Suchot, an exclusive residential district facing on the Bois de Boulogne. The Duke and Duchess of Windsor once lived nearby.

The three Krause children, Morley, 7, Marjorie, 6, and Ned, 16 months, did not wake up until on hours of hammering and the upstairs doors with an iron bar.

Mr. Krause reported that one burglar frequently boasted about previous robberies.

He said he recently pulled off a job in which he and his partner got 25,000,000 francs.

The burglars did not take Mrs. Krause's engagement ring or a pearl brooch, a gift from Mr. Krause on their eighth wedding anniversary, on Tuesday.—Associated Press.

Washington, January 25.

Ireland and the United States agreed today to raise the Legations in their respective capitals to the status of Embassies.—Reuters.

TUC BAN ON COMMUNISTS

London, January 25.

The General Council of the Trade Union Congress decided today that no Communist will be allowed to sit on the National Committee which speaks for the 500 trade councils—the local federations of trades union branches.

Now will Communists be permitted to attend the annual conference of the trades councils as delegates.

With these new steps in their campaign against the Communists, the General Council planned to support the Labour Party in the General Election campaign.

A special committee was formed to prepare a manifesto calling on trade unionists to vote for Labour.—Reuters.

KORAN DISCOVERY

Amman, January 25.

Nasuh Taher, a student of ancient writings here, claims to have deciphered the unidentified letters with which certain chapters of the Koran begin.

Scholars said that his discovery was "near revolutionary in the history of Koranic interpretation." Taher believes that the letters, whose meaning has been obscure ever since, the sacred writings were revealed to the Prophet Mohammed 13 centuries ago, denote numbers and are the alphabetic equivalent of numerals.—Reuters.

Italy to spend huge sums in Somaliland

Geneva, January 25.

Italy will spend 10,000,000 lire annually in administering the territory of Somaliland for 10 years under a United Nations trusteeship agreement, Signor Vittorio Corulli, Italian colonial expert, said today.

Corulli is attending the meeting of the UN Trusteeship Council in Geneva at which an agreement for the trusteeship will be concluded.

As soon as an agreement is reached, Italy will proceed to a provisional administration of her former colony until final approval is given by the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Corulli briefly outlined Italy's task in Somaliland after Mohammed Jamil, Iraq delegate to the Trusteeship Council, warned that the Somalis must be protected against the "exploitation of their national patrimony until the Somalis become sovereign and can dispose of their property as they see fit."

"The Somalis are a poor people," Jamil said. "One rich Belgian or one rich American could buy all of Somaliland. Westerners could go there and turn Somaliland into a Western colony."

Corulli said the Somalis were nomads who "live on their stock and have a feeling that farmers are of a low type. They do not like to cultivate the land."

He added: "The main hope for the territory is in immigration of non-Somalis who will do some farming. Because of the climate, they must be Arabs. We always encouraged the immigration of Arabs from the Yemen, and it is the only way the country can be developed."

"It will cost us 10,000,000,000 lire annually to administer this territory, and I see no question of the exploitation of the poor by the rich."

Frontier problem

Ethiopia, Italy and Britain must make firm arrangements now for the demarcation of the Ethiopian-Somal frontier, the "Manchester Guardian" said in a leading article, drawing attention to the present tentative plan under which nothing is to happen for at least a year.

Relations between Italian and Ethiopian delegates on Italy's return to Somaliland have been encouragingly friendly, and measures have been announced in Rome for the take-over, it said.

"But what is actually going to happen on the spot?" it asked, noting that the Eritrean disorders have not set a very inspiring example and that the complications of the Somali situation will need extraordinarily careful handling.

Referring to Ethiopian opposition to the Italian return, it said: "The frontier itself unfortunately is nothing but a straight line on the map."

"If we are not to have a repetition of the Eritrean situation, it is most important that the boundary should at least be properly fixed," it said.

The matter of the Ogaden would also have to be very carefully managed, it said, noting how this corner of Abyssinia was first captured by the Italians, then taken over by the British, and, in 1949, partly given back to Ethiopia.

It posed the question: "Are the Italians going to take over the same areas at the hand-over, and if so, how are the Ethiopians and their supporters likely to react?"—Associated Press.

Naples, January 25.

The Royal Navy aircraft carrier Glory today anchored off Santa Lucia here. On board Glory is Vice-Admiral Douglas Pennant, in command of the Mediterranean Fleet Air Arm.—Reuters.

YUGOSLAV DEMARCHE REJECTED

Bucharest, January 25.

According to the Rumanian News Agency, the Rumanian Government has rejected the Yugoslav note of December 18 last year in which the Yugoslav Government suggested the establishment of a mixed Rumanian-Yugoslav commission to liquidate frontier incidents.

At that time, in a note to the Rumanian Embassy at Belgrade, the Yugoslav Government also suggested the signing of a special frontier incident agreement to arbitrate future repettitions of incidents involving the two countries.

The Rumanian note, handed in on Tuesday at Bucharest, said that the Yugoslav Government is by this new move trying to hide the responsibility which it bears for these frontier incidents, which are repeated violations of the aerial space of Rumanian territory, as well as the continued sending of spies and saboteurs into the Rumanian Republic.

The Rumanian note said that these incidents are isolated acts, but part of the policy of the Yugoslav Government of provocation and espionage directed against the Rumanian Republic by the Yugoslav Government, which has placed itself in the service of the declared enemies of peace and democracy—the Anglo-American imperialists.

The Anglo-American Radio, the Press combines and the news agencies are continually distorting facts about the Soviet Union and the popular democracies, and the Yugoslav frontiers incidents are only part of this general policy of the Anglo-American warmongers, the note said.—Associated Press.

CANADA GIVES UP A RIGHT

Ottawa, January 25.

By her own wish, Canada is no longer officially considered the senior Dominion of the Commonwealth, the Canadian Press reported today.

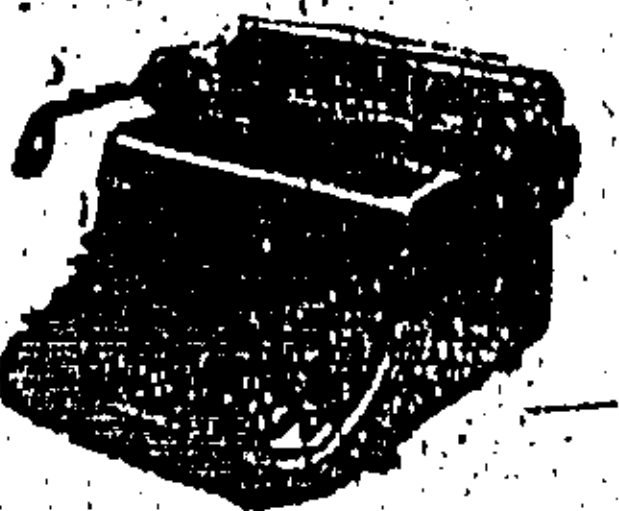
The Government had signified that Canada felt the doctrine of complete equality among Commonwealth nations was not compatible either with the recognition of a Mother country or of seniority among sister countries, the agency said.

Another stage in the evolution of the Commonwealth, it meant that Canada had voluntarily surrendered any right to speak first among what have been known as the Dominions but which are now known formally among themselves as the members of the Commonwealth.

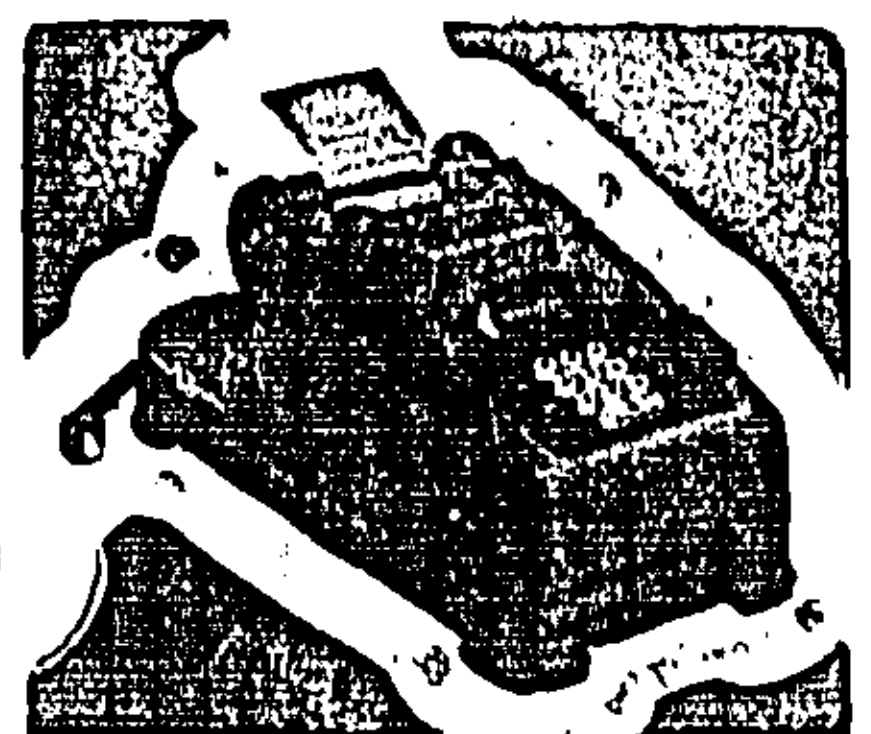
The country which now spoken first in a Commonwealth parley was the country with the most direct interest in the subject under discussion.

This approach had apparently found broad acceptance within the Commonwealth, particularly with the advent of three new members—India, Pakistan and Ceylon, the agency said.—Reuters.

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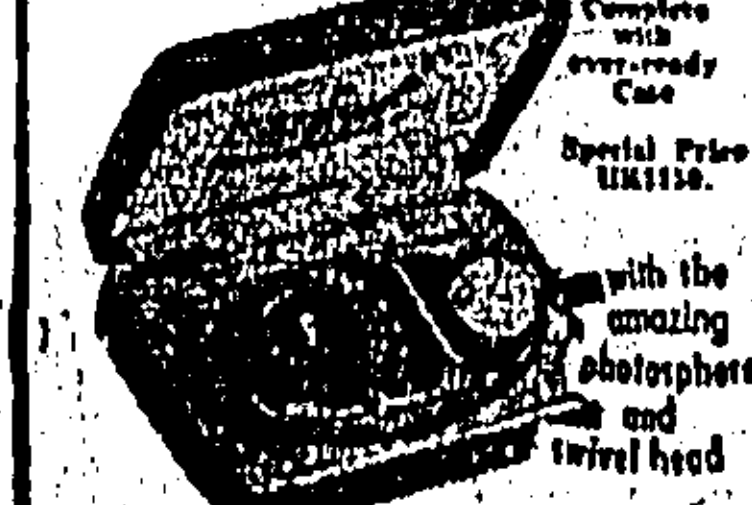
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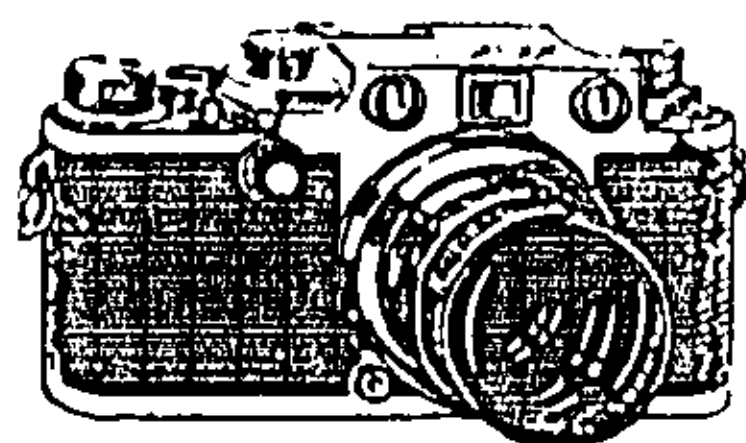
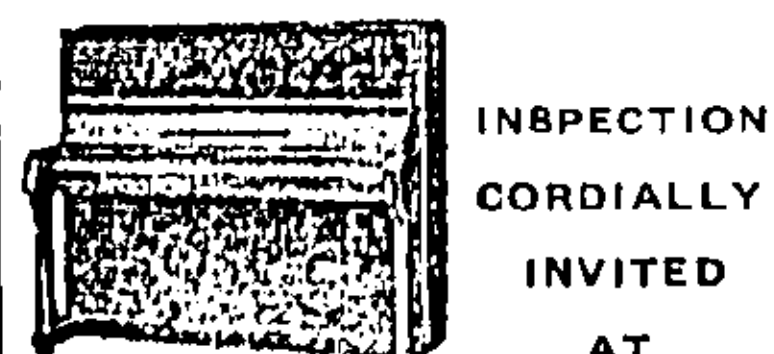
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KING'S MESSAGE TO
PRESIDENT OF INDIA

London, January 25.

King George has sent the following message to India's first President, Dr. Prasad: "On the occasion of the inauguration of the Indian Republic I send you my warmest good wishes. May you and the people of India enjoy the full blessings of peace and prosperity in the years to come."

"The foundations of the Indian Republic within the Commonwealth have been well laid. I am confident that the strong ties of friendship which link our peoples will be maintained and that they will continue to work together steadfastly for the common good."

The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, has sent the following message to Pandit Nehru, the Indian Prime Minister:

"On behalf of the Government of the United Kingdom I send to you and your colleagues warmest wishes for the happiness and prosperity of the Indian people under the new Constitution. It is a source of satisfaction that the Republic is to continue to be a member of our Commonwealth of Nations."

"We look forward to the continuance of the closest and most friendly relations between our two countries."

The Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations, Mr. Philip Noel-Baker, has sent this message to India's Minister of External Affairs:

"On this historic day when India becomes a Republic within the Commonwealth of Nations I send you this message of greetings and goodwill. Today our hearts are full of affection for the people of India and of hope for the greatness of India's contribution to the progress and happiness of mankind."

Pakistan hope

Hope that the inauguration tomorrow of the Indian Republic will mark the beginning of a new era of friendly co-operation and good neighbourly relations between India and Pakistan is expressed by Pakistan's Governor-General, Khwaja Nazimuddin.

He did so in a message of good wishes to Dr. Prasad.

Mr. Sean MacBride, Eire Foreign Minister, in a message to India, said that Ireland saluted the Republic of India with joy and thankfulness.

"I am able to utter these words knowing that an almost incredible achievement they would have represented to so many of our patriots of both countries who lived and died for freedom," he added.

"On the present joyful occasion it is appropriate for us to consider the progress which has been made."

"We, for our part, face problems not dissimilar to those confronting India, but in the magnitude of the problems and the potentialities which can be achieved the knowledge that your great Republic is undertaking similar tasks in a similar spirit to us is one that fortifies us with a sense of comradeship."

Great role

"India is playing a great role in leadership among the free nations of Asia and we in Ireland, in a smaller but no less significant way, hope to play our part in the co-operative effort in Europe," he said.

Mr. John Costello, Prime Minister of Eire, sent a message to Pandit Nehru extending warmest congratulations and good wishes for the welfare and prosperity of the great country of India.

Ireland, he said, has always looked with special sympathy

and profound admiration on India's long arduous struggle towards independence and "we share today in your country's rejoicing."

Klement Gottwald, President of Czechoslovakia, cabling good wishes to Dr. Prasad, said, "I am convinced that the efforts of the people of India towards economic and cultural progress will bring them the development and prosperity they deserve."

Premier Antonin Zapotocky, in a message to Pandit Nehru, said, "I wish to express the warmest wishes of the Czechoslovak Government, while the Foreign Minister, Dr. Vladimír Clementis, in another message, said, 'I wish Your Excellency much success in your future efforts and much success also for the people of India in their work of reconstruction.'"

Liberal pledge

Mr. Clement Davies, leader of the British Liberal Party, told Reuters today, with reference to the birth of the Indian Republic, "We rejoice this day at the inauguration of this great Constitution."

"The task confronting the people of India is so formidable and so immense that it can be compared with the Himalayas."

"But man has conquered even those mighty mountains and can, with courage, overcome the great difficulties."

"We pledge ourselves to assist in every way we can the peoples of India and their chosen Government," Mr. Davies added.

Australian newspapers welcomed India's "rebirth" as a sovereign democratic Republic.

The Sydney "Daily Telegraph" said, "Australia welcomes the new Republic and is glad India has decided to remain in the worldwide Commonwealth partnership. India is basically a peasant country and the way ahead will be hard. But we can help her and we must help all we can."

The Sydney "Morning Herald" said, "With good wishes for the Indian Republic on this foundation day must go the hope that it will never have to repeat the folly of too much independence."

The "Melbourne Age" featured an article specially written by President Prasad, outlining "the Constitutional provisions for an independent, freedom-loving State."

Celebrations in Delhi

A mile-long torch parade, in which portraits of Mahatma Gandhi waved above the heads of the throng, marched through the floodlit streets of Delhi to-night—the eve of the birth of the Indian Republic.

India's new Constitution—breaking the 92-year-old link with the British Crown—will come into force when the last Governor-General, Mr. Chakravarti Rajagopalachari, reads a proclamation in Darbar House, the Government House, tomorrow.

Dr. Rajendra Prasad will then be sworn in as the Republic's first President. He was unanimously elected by the Constituent Assembly yesterday.

The Crown on Government House and other State buildings, on State furniture, on the flags and crests and badges of the Armed Forces, has given place to the emblem of the new Republic—a replica of the ancient Asokan Lion capital at Sarnath.

"New currency" notes to be issued tomorrow will likewise bear the Republican emblem, but no Crown. English will continue to be the official language of the Indian Union for a period of not more than 15 years, after which it will be replaced by Hindi.

The authors of the new Constitution have embodied Gandhi's ideals in the provisions for adult suffrage in a common, non-communal electorate and the abolition of "untouchability."

28 States

The Constitution proclaims India to be a sovereign, democratic Republic, and provides for a Parliamentary Government essentially federal in structure. From tomorrow India comprises 28 States and the Andaman and Nicobar Islands. The States include the pre-Republic "Governors' Provinces," the Indian States and the Chief Commissioner's Provinces. Elections under the new Con-

Engine drops
off clipper
over the sea

San Francisco, January 26. Pan-American Airways reported today that the No. 4 engine fell from a Boeing Stratocruiser over the Pacific Ocean about 80 miles from Tokyo, but the clipper landed safely at Tokyo airport at 1:05 p.m. GMT.

The plane carried 10 civilian passengers, but nobody was injured. Pan-American Airways said the vertical stabilizer and fuselage near the galley were damaged. —United Press.

BRITONS KICKED
OUT BY REDS

Rangoon, January 25. Burmese Communists have seized tin mines and rubber estates on the South East coastal strip of Tenasserim and expelled the British managers, Burmese Press reports said.

The Communists escorted the Britons and their staffs to a point 10 miles from the large fishing port of Tavoy and ordered them to clear out of the neighbourhood, the reports said, adding that all were ordered to leave behind their fountain pens and wrist watches.

A Communist spokesman then told the mine and rubber workers: "The reign of capitalist countries has ended," the papers reported. —Associated Press.

Taiwan relying
on sugar export
to get exchange

Taipei, January 26.

First shipments abroad of 1950 Taiwan sugar have already started.

It is estimated that during the year, between 550,000 and 650,000 tons of locally produced sugar will be exported. This compares with 632,000 tons last year and 260,000 tons in 1948.

It will be shipped to Japan, Malaya, the Near East, Europe and South America. The British Ministry of Food has contracted through the British firm Swire and Maclean to take 60,000 tons. Another 100,000 tons has been sold direct to SCAP, Japan.

The importance of sugar to Taiwan may be gauged from the value involved. This year's exports should bring in the equivalent of approximately £28,000,000 of foreign exchange which is considerably more than the combined total of all other Taiwanese exports.

The bulk of the island's sugar industry is handled by the Taiwan Sugar Corporation, a concern of the Government's National Resources Commission.

Two grades of sugar are produced by the Corporation—white refined and a straw-coloured unrefined sugar.

To ensure the quality and condition of the sugar, the Corporation requested an old-established British firm, Tait and Co., Ltd., to set up an independent surveying organization at Taipei, a big port on the South West coast of the island.

All sugar is shipped from Tainan, where the dry, sunny weather is well suited for loading.

Poor outlook

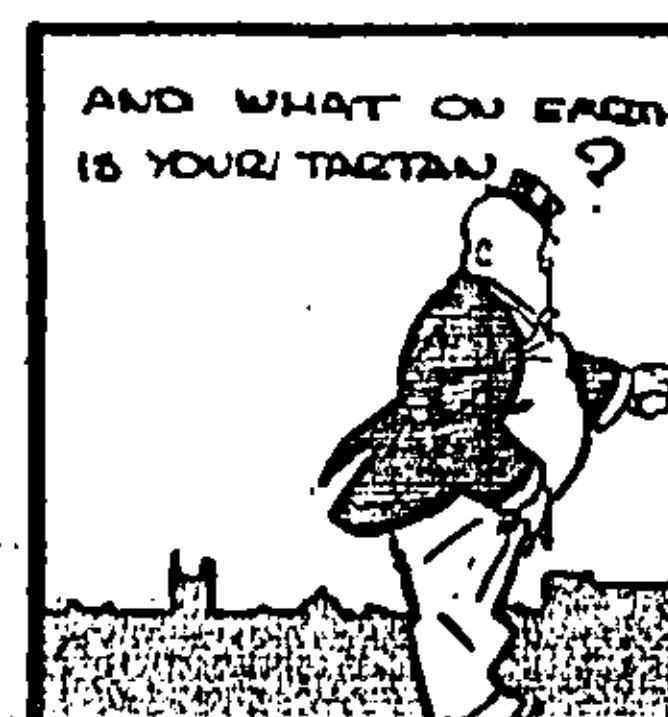
Most of the plantations are in the Southern part of Taiwan.

Half of the cane crop produced is owned by the Taiwan Sugar Corporation. The other half is grown by farmers who receive seedlings and fertilizer from the Corporation.

Although the industry will have no major worries this year, the outlook for the future is not bright. —Reuters.

POP

Roman in the gloamin'



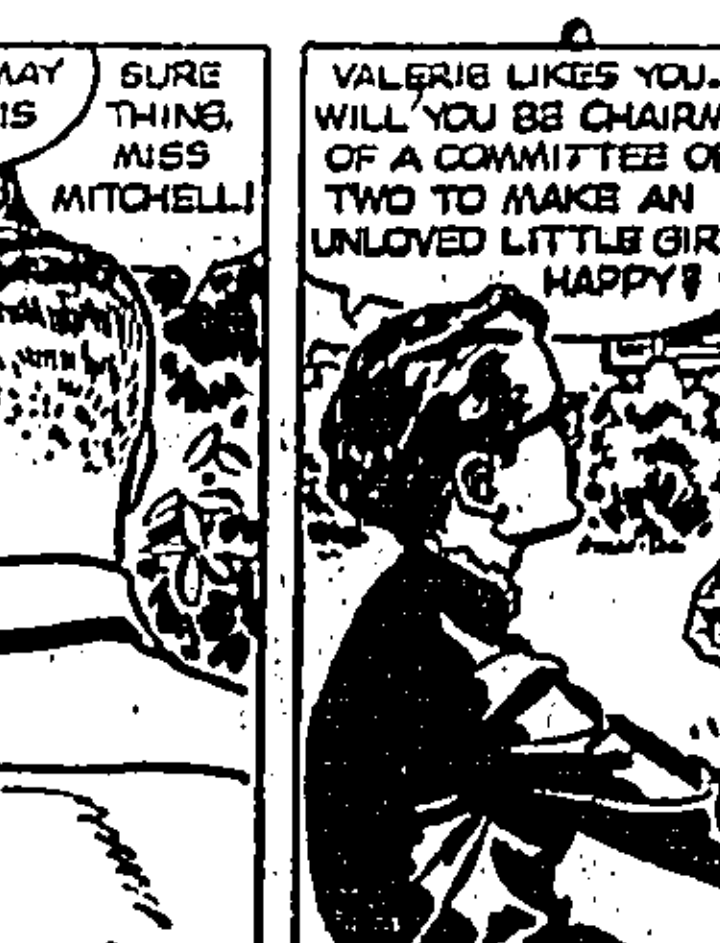
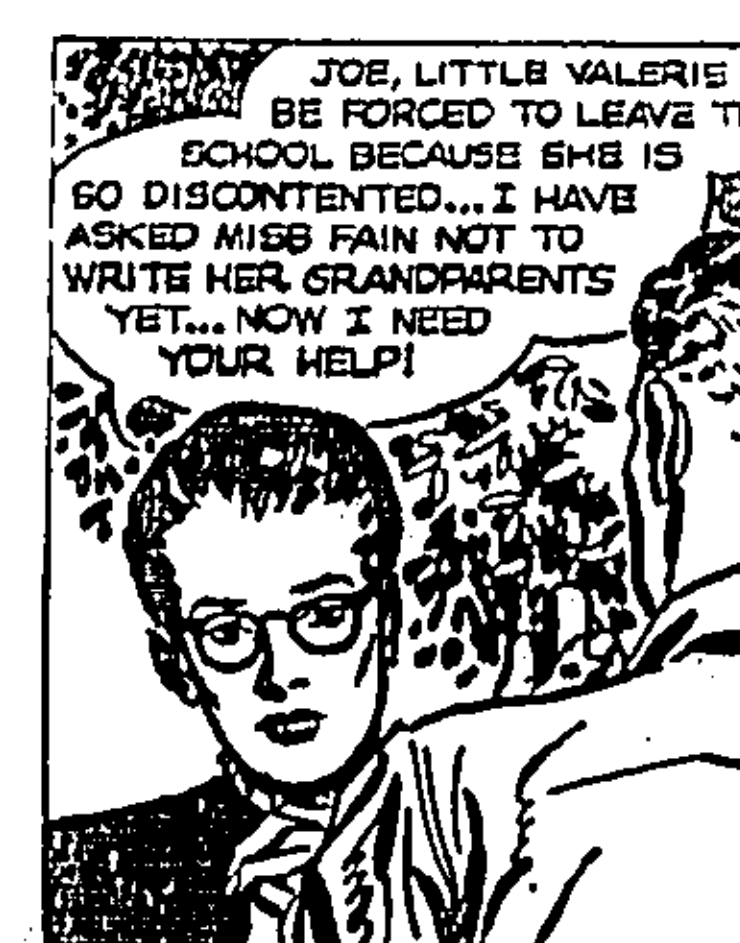
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M.K.T. P.M. 12.15—Roman Catholic Prayers Given by the Rev. Father, R. W. Gallagher, S. J. (Studio)

12.30—"Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary.

12.32—Jay Wilbur String Ensemble.

12.45—London Studio Melodies—The Melochino Orchestra with Maria Rediffusion and Maurice Keary (H.K.T.B.)

1.15 News, Weather Report and Announcements.

1.20—Interlude.

1.30—"Lunchtime Music."

2.00 Close Down

2.00 "Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary.

2.02 Children's Hour—"The Story of Robin Hood"—A Play by Max Sanders, With Music by Max Sanders (H.K.T.B.)

2.30—"Continence by Radio"—Given by Miss Lee, Wal Lan and Mr. B. K. Lee (Studio)

2.35 Three Tunes

2.40 World News and News Analysis (London Relay)

2.45 Studio Concert by Julietta Yung (Studio) Wong Kik Yung (Piano) Accompanied by Betty Brown (Studio)

2.50—"From the Editor's"—(London Relay)

2.55 Music for Dancing Eddie Lee Mar. His Piano and His Trench

3.00—"Music for Dancing"—Classical Request Programme Presented by Young Chatter (Studio)

3.05 "I Haven't a Clue"—A Comedy Thriller by Jack White, Episode 2 "Hunt for the Treasure" (H.K.T.B.)

3.10 Radio News (London Relay)

3.15 Weather Report

3.16—"The Contents of the Week"

3.20 London Promenade Orchestra

3.25 "Handball"—H.K. Variety Orchestra (H.K.T.B.)

3.30 Weather Report World News and Home News from Britain (London Relay Recorded)

3.35 Close Down

Ferries collide in Harbour

A woman passenger who either fell or jumped into the harbour from the ferry launch Solar Star was instrumental in causing a collision between the Solar Star and the Yauwatti ferry launch Man Chi yesterday. Slight damage was sustained by both launches. No one was injured. The woman went overboard when the Solar Star was in mid-stream en route to Hong Kong. The Solar Star reversed course to pick her up. The Man Chi approached the scene apparently to give assistance. The launches collided, sustaining slight damage. Two seamen from the Yauwatti launch jumped into the harbour and rescued the woman, who had managed to keep herself afloat. She was taken aboard the Solar Star and landed at the Hong Kong Pier.

CANTONESE BY RADIO

BY S.K. LEE

Lesson 16

VOCABULARY:	
82. (yam) yum(2)	To drink.
83. (shui) shui(2)	Water.
84. (ch'a) (1)chah	Tea.
85. (ts'ing) tsing(2)	Request, Please.
86. (ts'eng) tsing(2)	Invite, Engage, Employ.
87. (poo) booy(1)	A cup.
88. (tip) (3)deep	A plate.
89. (in) yeen(1)	Smoke, Tobacco.
90. (tsai) dzai(2)	A son, Small (an auxiliary).
91. (hau) hau(2)	Mouth, Entrance.

COMBINATIONS:	
1. Yum(2) (1)chah	To drink tea.
2. Tsing(2) (1)chah	Goodbye.
3. Tsing(2) yum(2) (1)chah	To invite to tea.
4. Tsing(2) yum(2)	To invite to a feast.
5. Yut(1)-gaw(2) booy(1)	One cup.
6. Yut(1) booy(1) (1)chah	One cup of tea.
7. (3)Shik yeen(1)	To smoke.
8. Yut(1)-hau(2) yeen(1)-dzai(2)	One cigarette.

IMITATIVE EXPRESSIONS:	
1. Gah(3) feh(1)	Coffee.
2. Saam(1) (1)mun (3)jee	Sandwiches.
GENERAL EXPRESSIONS:	
17. (1)Yee gah(1)	Now.

CONVERSATION:	
1. A. (2)Ngaw hui(3) yam(2)-dzai(2)	I am going for tea.
2. (1)chah	Are you going?
3. B. (2)Ngaw (1)im-hui(3) lok(3)	I am not going.
4. (2)Nay hui(3) lah(1)	You go.
5. A. Deem(2)-gaw(2) (2)ny Why don't you go?	
6. B. Yut(1)-(3)wai (2)ngaw (2)moit tsen(2) ah(3)	Because I have no money.
7. A. Hui(3) lah(1)	Let's go.
8. (2)Ngaw tsing(2) (2)ny	I will invite you.
9. W. Seen(1)-shaung(1), yeeo(3) mee(1)-(2)ych ah(3)	What do you want, sir?

10. A. Yut(1)-booy(1) (1)chah, A cup of tea, a cup of coffee, yut(1)-booy(1), gah(3) dzai(1), (3)ching (3)deep saam(1)-(1)mun (3)jee.	
11. W. Mut(1)-(2)ych saam(1)-(1)mun (3)jee neh(1)?	What kind of sandwiches?
12. A. (1)Ngau (3)yooh saam(1)-(1)mun (3)jee	Beef sandwiches.
13. (3)Shik-yee(1) lah(1)	Have a cigarette.
14. B. (2)Ngaw shaung(2)-(3)shik-yee(1)	I don't smoke. (I seldom smoke).
15. A. (1)Yee-gah(1), (3)look deom(2)-joeng(1)	Now, it is six o'clock.
16. (2)Ngaw yeeo(3) saam-pok(1)-kay(2) lok(3) (3)ching (3)deep	I must return home.
17. (3)ching (3)deep	Good-bye.
18. H. Tsing(2)-tsing(2)	Good-bye.

HKDF ORDERS

(Continued from Page 4)

Classification target. No. 4 Platoon. Rifle-Capt Collins. Team—Pte P.A. Collins, Pte N. W. Waid, Pte A.D.S. Anderson, Pte G. Saunders. Bren—Pte P. Blaker. Team—Bgt Calvert. No. 6 Platoon. Rifle—Pte H.O. Silva. Team—Pte A.W. Lewis, Pte P.M.V. Lunt, Pte G.M. Silva. Bren—Pte Sun Hong, Pte G.M. Silva. Bren—Pte N.I. McLean. Team—CBM A.P. Perella. No. 8 Platoon. Rifle—Pte T.T. Blaker. Team—Pte M.J. Tavaras, Pte T. Sun, Pte G.V. Gutierrez, Pte D.A. Brown, Pte G.N. van Langenberg. Bren—Capt R.C. Cooper. Team—BGM W.G. King. "Cherchez la Mort" competition. No. 4 Platoon. Rifle—Pte Collins. Pte Collins, Pte Waid, Pte Anderson, No. 6 Platoon. Rifle—Pte Lewis, Pte Sun, Pte Perella, Pte Blaker, Pte Gutierrez, Pte Brown. Rifle will be drawn by individuals from the armory on the day of the shoot as follows: Saturday, January 28, 1950 between 7.30 a.m. and 12 noon. Any person who had difficulty with complying with this arrangement may arrange for a friend to draw his rifle for him. Those who draw more than two rifles will be taken to the range but only teams are responsible for preparing their own guns. February 3, 1950. 1st Programme—"Fire discipline" Parade Force HQ 5.30 p.m. (Dress—Drill order) (overall).

Exercise—Warning Order. There will be an exercise on the evening of February 7, 1950. Full details will be published later. H.K. Auxiliary Air Force. Shooting Competition January 28-29, 1950. The following personnel have been selected to represent the HKAAF in the team shoots at this competition: N.D. Blaker (Capt), J.J. Wong, A.N. Thomas, H.K. Chan, R.R. Garcia, Chan Pak-ki, A. Chan, J.L.S. Wong, G.C. Conder, J.A. Hutchinson. Any personnel who have served their rifle and who have made prior arrangements with the HKAAF will be notified as soon as available. Change of Address. All members are again reminded that they must report any change of address to the Adjutant HKAAF.

Home Guard. Training—Thursday, February 2, 1950. Programme as detailed by HQ. Parade Force HQ 5.30 p.m. (Dress plain clothes, overall). H.K. Women's Volunteer Force. Training (Army and Nursing Branch). There will be a parade for members on Thursday, January 26, 1950 at 5 p.m. at HKDF HQ. The programme will be as under: 5 p.m. to 5.15 p.m. Driving test and practice. Drivers Squad. 5.15 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. Elementary First Aid. All members HQ Parade Ground 5.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. Driving test and practice. (continued) Drivers Squad. 6.30 p.m. to 7.30 p.m. Maintenance of correspondence. Security. (b) Test typing official letter. (c) Squad Orderly Room. Communal feeding and kitchen hygiene. Lecture by Miss Hunter. (d) Squad Welfare Clinic. "Nursing Squad. M.I. Room. (d) J.G. Fisher, Lieut. Col. Deputy Commandant, HKDF.

Force Rifle Meeting. The Force Rifle Meeting for the training year 1949/50 will be held at Kai Tak Bunkers (the old Kowloon City Bunkers) on Saturday and Sunday, January 28, 1950. The rifle will be at 2 p.m. on Saturday and at 9 a.m. on Sunday. Transport will be available at the Kai Tak Ferry Wharf to convey personnel to the range from 8.30 p.m. to 9.30 a.m. on Saturday. A buffet and canteen will be available on the range. Car park facilities are available on the range. During the meeting, the HKDF Championship will be fired. Newly shoots will also be run to pass the time away between events. Full details of events are posted on the notice board at Kai Tak Bunkers. The rifle will be at 2 p.m. on Saturday and at 9 a.m. on Sunday. Transport will be available at the Kai Tak Ferry Wharf to convey personnel to the range from 8.30 p.m. to 9.30 a.m. on Saturday. A buffet and canteen will be available on the range. Car park facilities are available on the range. 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"LA MARSEILLAISE"	"	26th Feb.

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Shipping Arrivals

YESTERDAY

Formosa (D & B) British 1657 tons	25
Amelia (D & B) American 4632	25
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TODAY

Denmark (D & B) ex-Europe	26
Amelia (D & B) ex-Europe	26
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TOMORROW

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Shipping Departures

YESTERDAY

Granville (Thames) for Vancouver	25
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TODAY

Frederick (Humb) for Singapore	26
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TOMORROW

Calicut (D & B) for Liverpool	27
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Vessels in Port

A. Parkart (Moller)	25
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